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DEVELOPMENTS IN EUROPE OF NO IMPORTANCE SINCE RECENT AUSTRIAN DEFEAT

While Not Irreparable, the Set Back Given Austrians is Likely to Have Effect on Whole Austro-German Campaign in the East, Which for Awhile Looked Dark for the Russian Defensive Lines in That Territory.

ALLIES CONTINUE STEADY BUT SLOW ADVANCE AGAINST THE GERMAN TRENCHES IN THE WEST

A Few Yards Here and a Few Yards There Are Gained by the Allies, But in the End Advance Totals Good Progress. Primitive Methods Used in One Place—Canadian Troops Are Ready to Enter Into Battle.

London, December 30. — Since the Russian defeat of the Austrians in Galicia, which, while not irreparable, is likely to affect the whole Austro-German campaign in the East, there has been no important development on either front.

The Allies, although making no dramatic attacks on the German lines, are steadily hammering away with their artillery and when opportunity offers push their lines a few yards forward. A French eye-witness describing battles from December 16th to 24th, gives a good idea of the fighting and records gains, which, while each is only in yards, amount in the aggregate to a considerable advance at many points.

A few hundred yards in Flanders were taken by primitive methods. Having the breeches of their rifles choked with mud the Allies used them as clubs, and in many cases fought the Germans with their fists.

In one little French village within sound of the guns, Princess Patricia's light infantry, the first of the Canadian contingent to go to the front, is billeted, waiting its turn to go into the trenches. The men were accorded a splendid reception by their comrades in arms and the French villagers.

With the defeat of the Austrians in Galicia and South Poland, and the retirement of the Germans across the Bzura, Petrograd believes the turning point has been reached in the battle of the Polish rivers. The chief fighting now is taking place on the Pilica, where the Germans still are on the offensive and have brought up big guns.

Losses in these battles have reached enormous figures in dead, wounded and prisoners and might have been largely increased by disease, for the men fought under dreadful climatic conditions and in mud, for which Poland is notorious.

FRENCH CLAIM GAINS.

St. Georges, Position Taken from Germans, Bombarded by Latter.

Paris, Dec. 30.—France claims slight gains near Nieuport in the official announcement given out by the war department this afternoon. This communication also recites other points along the line where German attacks have been driven back. There has been heavy bombarding at St. Georges; in the Aisne region and on the heights of the Meuse. The text of the communication follows:

"In Belgium we have won a little territory in the region of Nieuport, opposite Polders, and to the north of Lombaertzide. The enemy subjected St. Georges to a violent bombardment. This is the position we are putting in a state of defense.

"We have captured a German point of support located to the southeast of Zonnebeke on the road between Becelaere and Paschendaele.

"From the Lys to the Oise there is nothing to report.

"In the valley of the Aisne and in Champagne the enemy has manifested another burst of activity which has taken the form particularly of a violent artillery fire to which our heavy artillery replied effectively.

"In the Argonne we have made slight progress in the region of Four De Paris.

"Between the Argonne and the Moselle there has been cannonading along all the front, but particularly severe along the heights of the Meuse.

"In the Vosges the enemy delivered an attack against our positions at La-Tete De Faux, this was repulsed.

"In Upper Alsace we are consolidating our positions. Our heavy artillery reduced to silence the German howitzers which were bombarding Upper Ashpach."

PART OF LINE QUIET.

Official Russian Statement Says Fighting in Poland Has Ceased.

Petrograd, Dec. 30.—The following official statement was issued today:

"Along the whole front of the armies operating on the left bank of the Vistula there has been a lull except in the region of Bolimow, Inowlodz and south of Malagoszcz where fierce fighting persists.

"Taking the offensive from Bolimow the Germans, under a heavy intense fire from our guns, made an assault on Bourgade, Borjimow and our trenches near Goumine (Gombin) but our troops, by an impetuous counter attack, slaughtered with their bayonets all of the enemy except a few, who were made prisoners.

"In this engagement we captured German machine guns and inflicted enormous losses on the enemy, who brought into action successively in this region regiments from divers army corps.

"Near Inowlodz our troops took possession of German trenches south of Possade, which they entered and engaged in determined fighting."

BERLIN OFFICIAL REPORT

Conditions About the Same With Fighting Still Raging on Both Fronts

Berlin Dec. 30 —(By wireless to London) The official communication given out today by the German war office says:

"In the Western theatre of the war we still are fighting for the Hamlet of St. Georges to the South of Nieuport which we were compelled to evacuate owing to a surprise attack.

"Storm and cold have caused damage to the positions both in Flanders and in Northern France.

"On the rest of the front the day passed quietly.

"In East Prussia the Russian cavalry was driven back in the direction of Pillkallen (four miles from the Russian frontier and South of the Nieman river).

"In Poland, on the right bank of the Vistula the situation remains unchanged. On the western bank of the Vistula the offensive to the east of the tributary Bzura continues. For the rest, fighting to the east of the Rawka branch continues as well as at Inowlodz and in the region to the southwest of this place.

"Reports from outside sources give the impression that Lowicz and Skierniewice are now in our possession. We captured these places more than six days ago. Skierniewice is situated far behind our front."

BERLIN PRESS REVIEW.

French Women Said to Have Declared Hospitals Will Close—Lack Money.

Berlin, Dec. 30.—(By wireless, via Sayville, L. I.)—Items given out today by the Official Press Bureau include:

"According to Paris dispatches to the Neue Zuricher Zeitung, the Union of French women complains of lack of money and material in the hospitals for the care of the wounded. The Union announces that some hospitals will be closed. The Union has had charge of 430 hospitals, with 30,000 beds.

"Berlin papers publish a letter written by the French commander at Fort Richelieu, declining to hand over to German war prisoners there Madrid newspapers on the ground that their war news is erroneous and that their attitude is hostile to France. The Spanish papers are considered here strictly neutral.

"Measures adopted by France and England against the import of provisions into Switzerland have been the subject of consideration by the Swiss government, which also is taking up the matter of the possible establish-

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INTEREST OF TWO NATIONS IN NOTE

Diplomatic Representation a Surprise to Public.

AMERICA AND ENGLAND

Bryan Declines to Give Any Details of Note as Been Received by British Foreign Office London.

Washington, Dec. 30.—While the American note to Great Britain protesting against interruptions to the commerce of this country continued today to absorb official Washington, there was confidence that difficulties of the last five months eventually would be amicably adjusted.

Already the discussion had turned to measures the United States would take in co-operation with Great Britain to reduce the necessity for extended search on the high seas. It became known that Treasury Department agents, acting with the State Department, had inspected one cotton cargo and that the inspection had satisfied the British embassy and facilitated progress of the shipments to its destination.

The belief was held in official quarters that understanding might be reached whereby cargoes could be certified before their departure and thus made immune from detention.

High officials of the Washington government were somewhat surprised that the American note had been regarded as "brusque" in some London quarters. They said the British cabinet, after a single reading of the document, must be convinced that the United States had spoken in the most friendly spirit, though none the less earnestly and emphatically.

Matter of Facts.

Those familiar with the note's contents say it is a matter-of-fact and frank statement of the difficulties experienced by American shippers and the failure of the British government to meet the protests which have been made. In all 30 American ships and cargoes, their value totaling millions, have been detained. The note points out specifically, however, that reimbursement alone cannot cure the situation, as the British fleet's activity has restrained many American exporters who fear risks involved in shipments.

With respect to cotton shipments, the case of one or two illegitimate cargoes, it is recognized, has caused the British government to suspect all shipments. The United States has no evidence that there has been contraband concealed in cotton cargoes, but England has made two specific complaints and the American government has issued a warning that one fraudulent shipment must produce embarrassment to cargoes generally.

Secretary Bryan declined to give any details of the note today. He described it as a general statement summarizing the American position in several specific cases. Neutral diplomats were not given a copy of it, but were informed that the first newspaper report of it was accurate. They were told that the State Department still regarded the note as confidential.

Grounds for Protest.

The general points on which the note complains, and which have been the basis of several specific protests hitherto are substantially as follows:

1. American cargoes have been searched on the high seas—a belligerent right that is not denied—but the ships also have been diverted to ports for further examination, a circumstance held not justified under international law unless full proof of hostile destination is presented at the time. Serious loss, especially to perishable goods, has resulted from such delays in a ship's voyage.

2. Great Britain has regarded absolute and conditional contraband as in the same class. The general understanding of international law has been absolute contraband includes food stuffs intended for use of a belligerent force and directly destined to it. Conditional contraband, including food stuffs comprising articles susceptible for use by an army or navy but it must be proven that these products are destined for armed forces.

3. Irrespective of the controversy over what constitutes absolute or conditional contraband in commerce between a neutral and a belligerent country, the note sets forth that in respect to commerce between two neutral countries, there ought to be no question of contraband at all, for the relations are those of peace and not of war. Since the Civil War, the United States has upheld the doctrine of "continuous voyage," which permitted seizure of a cargo even in its journey between neutral ports, provided eventually it was destined for a belligerent. The American note, however, takes the position that proof of such hostile destination must be shown at the time of seizure.

4. The American government contends that a consignment sent to no specific consignee known as a "to order" shipment, is not of itself suspicious. It claims that this may be an important circumstance in proving a case, but is of no inherent value unless other facts are adduced, also at the time of detention or seizure.

BRITISH CABINET MEETS.

In Special Session to Study American Note and Prepare Answer.

London, Dec. 30.—The British cabinet met in special session today to consider the American government's protest against delay to American shipping caused by the searching of vessels by the British fleet.

The note reached the foreign office yesterday, but it is not expected a reply will be drafted for several days. It is pointed out that a document, which took weeks to draft, hardly

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COLE BLEASE, THE EMPTY PRISON GOVERNOR OF THE PALMETTO STATE

Governor Cole Blease, of South Carolina, when he went into office for his first term is reputed to have declared that the prisons of South Carolina would be empty when he quitted the Governor's mansion. Counting the 55 prisoners granted clemency last night by the executive, he has released 1,544 during his stay in office. There are only 149 left in all of the State prisons, farms and convict camps. The term of the South Carolina executive ends early in 1915.

GOVERNMENT SHIP PURCHASE BILL HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

Majority Members of the Senate Commerce Committee File a Report Transmitting Commendatory Letter From Secretary of Commerce Redfield—Aggressive Fight to be Waged in Congress on the Matter.

Washington, Dec. 30.—Initiating the aggressive fight to be waged in Congress for passage of the government ship purchase bill to free American commerce from European war limitations, majority members of the Senate commerce committee today filed a report recommending the measure in vigorous terms and transmitting a commendatory letter from Secretary of Commerce Redfield.

The committee report, filed by Acting Chairman Fletcher, quoted the report submitted yesterday by Secretary McAdoo and Redfield showing enormous increases in ocean transportation rates since the war began and attendant falling off in ocean tonnage facilities. The committee predicted that enactment of the ship purchase bill would go far to relieve that situation.

"Unquestionably," says the report, "if we had additional ships under the American flag the situation would rapidly improve and much of the distress of producers, business men and bankers not only in the South, but throughout the country, would be relieved. The need is urgent."

Situation Peculiar.

Secretary Redfield, in his letter, written to Senator Fletcher to accompany the report, declared that for years the United States ocean shipping had been in the hands of its competitors "like a department store without any delivery system except such as competitors were willing to supply."

The result was easily to be foreseen, he figured, when 20 years ago American goods displaced German products in second place among South African sales, and American iron and steel entered into keen competition abroad with German and English products.

"You cannot imagine Germany or England continuing permanently to transport on favorable terms to us American goods on any such scale as to seriously threaten German or English industrial markets," the letter continued.

"Like an ostrich with its head in the sand we have put our money and merchandise at the risk of the European war. American capital invested in ships under European flags can be and has been destroyed by the acts of hostile cruisers. Two vessels under foreign flags on their way to be transferred to our flag, were thus sunk. American capital in goods transported in vessels under foreign flags, which were not owned by American capital, has been lost or injured when such vessels have been sunk or held up and American goods for which Americans long since paid are today lying in foreign harbors.

"We know now that our commerce, while ocean borne, is subject to war risks not of our making, but by which we suffer. The time has been when war risks shut off the movement of American wheat and delayed the movement of American cotton and it is quite within the range of probability that such a time may re-occur. An American merchant marine is a necessity and cannot be had soon enough to relieve us from the jeopardy in which we have stood and in which in some measure we now stand.

"Indeed, so vital is the present time to America that it seems as if we were in the very transition from being a debtor to a creditor nation, and the possibility opens to our lending that hand of financial fellowship to our fellow Republics in Latin America which they so much need and by which we should tie them to ourselves in commercial bands of steel which would endure to the great gain of all our people.

"Not only are our goods hampered by absence of shipping but they also are hampered by the rates which are out of our control but which are now charged on such shipping as takes place. Our competitors, who control our ocean terminal facilities (for such and no more are ocean steamship companies as related to railways) have seen fit for their own profit to advance their rates from one-half to double or more. There are ports in Europe today that eagerly seek our cotton and we know that our brethren in the South anxiously desire to sell their cotton and the price abroad is such as our producers would be thankful to receive. Between these two stands the excessive rate and the scarcity of ships. The reasons must be mighty and compelling which would lead any one to interpose between the flood of American commerce seeking to be free and the needs of foreign buyers seeking for our products in interests of any one or two or more groups of our people."

PROHIBITION THAT PROHIBITS.

Kansas Governor-Elect Claims That for Recent Law in That State.

Topeka, Kas., Dec. 30.—Kansas has demonstrated that prohibition actually does prohibit, declared Arthur Capper, governor-elect, before the national convention of the inter-collegiate prohibition association here tonight. He asserted that the state's prosperity is largely due to prohibition.

Newport News, Va., Dec. 30.—Loaded with 918 horses for use by the Allies in the European war zone, the British steamer Anglo Californian sailed tonight for Avonmouth, England.

WILMINGTON COTTON IS THE FIRST CARGO FOR GERMANY TO GO THROUGH DUTCH PORT

BLEASE RELEASES MORE PRISONERS

Fifty-Five Granted Clemency by S. C. Governor.

FOR NEW YEAR'S GIFT

Those Remaining on State Farms, Convict Camps and in Prisons Number Only 149—Has Released Over Fifteen Hundred

Columbia, S. C. Dec. 30—Governor Blease today granted clemency to 55 state prisoners. Twenty-eight were serving terms for homicide, seventeen having been sentenced originally to life imprisonment. Sixteen full pardons, 24 paroles and 15 commutations are included in the list.

The release of the forty men pardoned or paroled today reduces the number of prisoners in the State penitentiary here, at the state farms and in the county convict camp to 149. Governor Blease now has exercised clemency in 1,544 cases during his term of office, which will have been four years in January. Two hundred and eight prisoners have received clemency since Thanksgiving eve. The Governor acted upon 101 cases at that time and on eight others Christmas eve. Clemency was exercised in 44 cases last Monday.

One murderer was pardoned today and seven paroled. Nine other serving life terms received commutations, making their sentences either five or ten years. Of eleven men convicted of manslaughter, one was pardoned, six were paroled and four received commutations.

Governor Blease signed the clemence grants today so that the prisoners released might reach their homes by New Year's day.

Of interest were the full pardons granted Robert Wilson, Horace Finch and W. R. Belcher, sentenced last November to three years each for the attack on the Spartanburg jail, in which a negro suspected of criminal assault was confined. The negro subsequently was acquitted.

RECEPTION TENDERED DISTINCTION BY YOUTH.

Secretary McAdoo and His Wife Royally Entertained by Grandchild.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 30.—Miss Nona McAdoo Martin, one-year-old, held a reception here today for two distinguished grandparents, one of them her grandfather, the Secretary of the Treasury and the other her grandmother by marriage, President Wilson's youngest daughter.

On the arrival today Secretary and Mrs. McAdoo asked that no formal entertainments be given for them, that they might spend their few hours here in a family reunion. They are on their way to San Diego for the opening of the Panama-California Exposition.

When the Secretary was here last year he attended the christening of little Miss Nona, whose mother, Mrs. Charles T. Martin, is his daughter.

The American Steamer A. A. Raven Reaches Rotterdam With 6,600 Bales.

DELAYED BY BATTLESHIP

Freight Charges Amounted to Ten Dollars a Bale.

Reports of Dangerous Navigation Through North Sea Likely to Drive Price Still Higher, Says Agent for the American Line.

The Hague, Dec. 30, via London—The American steamer A. A. Raven, which arrived at Rotterdam December 24th, from Wilmington, N. C., with 6,600 bales of cotton, was the first vessel to reach a Dutch port since the outbreak of the war, with a cotton consignment for Germany.

The steamer was held up 24 hours in the English channel by British warships for examination of her papers.

The freight charges for the Raven's cargo were $10 per bale, which is five times the normal rate. This increase was due to the great war risks attending imports destined for Germany.

It was stated here today by an American agent that the alarming reports concerning dangers of navigation in the North Sea might have a tendency to drive the rates still higher.

Since the war started, the German imports of cotton are said to have amounted to 50,000 bales, most of it going by way of Gothenburg, Sweden, to which port sixteen vessels nor are steaming. They are due to reach Gothenburg inside of two weeks. Their cargoes aggregate about 75,000 bales.

The American steamer A. A. Raven cleared from Wilmington Saturday, December 5th, and sailed early the next morning, carrying in her hold the total of 6,621 bales of cotton valued at $320,000 and consigned to Rotterdam. The steamer was cleared and the cargo shipped by D. H. Lippett.

The Raven is a small freighter, recently changed to American register under the measure passed by Congress at the beginning of the war in Europe, is of 1,606 tons burden, and under the command of Captain Hecker.

She is the first vessel to load a full cargo here for delivery in Europe since the outbreak of hostilities across the waters, and the first American steamer to load cotton here for foreign export.

Washington, Dec. 30—Detention by British authorities of the Swedish steamer New Sweden, carrying 730 tons of American copper for Stockholm at New Castle on December 28th and of the Norwegian ship Soriand carrying 600 tons for the same port on December 28th at Lech, was reported today to the State Department by the American Smelting and Refining Company.

The company advised the State Department it was unable to get advices of the disposal of the shipments. The department had made inquiries of Great Britain.

OFFICER DELANEY TAKES THE BLAME

For the Shooting of Amercans by Canadian Soldiers

TOLD THEM TO SHOOT

Provincial Officer Called Soldiers to Assist Him to Arrest Americans Who Violated Game Laws of Canada on River.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 30.—A coroner's jury at Fort Erie, Ontaria, empaneled to investigate the death of Walter Smith, the Buffalo man shot Monday by Canadian soldiers, returned this verdict tonight:

"We find that the deceased met his death while evading arrest for unlawfully shooting ducks out of season in Canadian waters, by a volley delivered accidentally from the rifles of three militia men who were called upon by Provincial Officer Thomas Delaney to assist him."

Officer Delaney appeared before the jury and took responsibility for the whole affair. He called upon the soldiers to aid him, he said, and ordered the firing.

J. B. Curtis, United States vice consul, questioned the officer's authority to call upon the soldiers, but was assured by the crown attorney that Delaney had such authority under Ontario laws.

Delaney testified that he watched Smith and his companion Dorch, who was wounded at the time Smith was killed, shooting ducks from Canadian waters; that he called to them to come

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ROBBERY OF TRAIN NETS GOODLY SUM

Three Bandits Get Total of Eleven Thousand Dollars

ON THE SUNSET EXPRESS

Eight Thousand in Money and Three Thousand in Jewelry Secured by Men Who Held Up Train in Texas—Some Overlooked.

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 30.—Approximately $8,000 in money and jewelry valued at $3,000 was secured by three bandits who robbed the two sleeping cars of the Sunset Express on the Galveston, Harrisburg & San Antonio Railroad near Cline, Texas, early today, according to reports received by railroad officials here tonight. More than double that amount, however, was overlooked by the men in their hurried search of the cars, it is stated.

The men boarded the train at Cline and after arousing the passengers from their berths and forcing them to hand over their valuables at the point of revolvers, jumped from the train near Spofford and escaped. Several posses were organized at Spofford but up to a late hour tonight had not found any trace of the men.

One woman who did not quickly hand over her purse, was struck over the head with a revolver by one of the men.

Jose Martinez, a wealthy resident of Durango, Mexico, had in his state room, which the bandits overlooked, $15,000 and valuable jewels. Martinez distributed sums of from $25 to $150 to his less fortunate fellow passengers.

GERMAN ADVANCE RECEIVES CHECK

Is Russian View of Developments in Poland.

WARSAW NOT IN DANGER

Austrians in South Reported to Have Been Decisively Defeated by Russians—Thousands of Prisoners and Guns are Ttaken

Petrograd, Dec, 30 via London—The Russian view of recent developments in Poland is that a degnite check has been administered to the Germans. Their evacuation of Mistrzewice, five miles north of Sochaczew, is regarded by military critics as "ringing down the curtain on the third German advance toward Warsaw".

At a tremendous loss to themselves, the Germans had succeeded in establishing a foothold in Mistrzewice, on the east bank of the Bzura, but three weeks of persistent sledge-hammer attacks failed to penetrate the Russian line before Warsaw. When it became evident that the Austrian advance from the Carpathian mountains had failed, the Germans evacuated the village. The Austrian Carpathian operations evidently formed an integal part of the general German plan for the Warsaw campaign.

Heavy artillery is being brought up by the Germans along their center between Skierniewice and the Pilica river but this is regarded as purely a defensive move to prevent breaking of the German line by Russian infantry operating there under the cover of artillery.

Unofficial reports from the Warsaw front say that in comparison with the heavy artillery duels, infantry operations are mere episodes.

Important Town Taken

In Galicia the Russians have taken the important town of Gorlice, 15 miles South of Tuchow, where the West Galician Austrian army recently was halted and prevented from joining that of General Boehm-Ermolli, advancing from Sanck-Lisko. Gorlice is the junction point of several railroads running east, west, and south through the Carpathian district. Pursuit of the retreating Austrians in the Sanck-Lisko district has been carried as far as Yaslisk, on the extreme Austrian left. Yaslisk, now in possession of the Russians, commands the most important highway into Hungary. Hungarian prisoners arriving at Kiev state that their commanders, in addressing the troops previous to the advance, said the result of the campaign would be re-occupation of Lemberg by the Austrians and the capture of Warsaw by the Germans and that subsequent operations directed by the German general staff would decide the war.

RUSSIAN ARMS VICTORIOUS

Austrian Forces Badly Defeated—Thousands of Prisoners Taken

Lemberg, Dec, 30.—via London The simultaneous attack of the Austrians in Western Galicia and from the Carpathians has proved a failure. Unofficial reports state that Austrian losses were enormous, and that the Russians have taken as many as 50,000 prisoners, including many Germans.

Train loads of guns and other war booty pass daily through Lemberg.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL STRIKE WILL BE LONG CONTINUED

Machinists on Harriman System Walked Out in 1911—Still Out

Savannah, Ga., Dec, 30—While expressing a desire to have terminated the shopments strike on the Illinois Central railroad and the Harriman system, the International Association of machinists does not contemplate any action not in unison with the other organizations involved, according to a statement issued here tonight by William H. Johnston of Washington, president of the Association.

The strike, which is said to have originally involved 28,000 men began on September 30th, 1911 and the men involved recently voted to continue it. In addition to the Illinois Central the Union Pacific, Southern Pacific and Oregon Short Line, including subsidiaries are involved.

President Johnston's statement was issued at the conclusion of today's meeting here of the executive board the machinists. He criticised the attitude of the railroads' official, who(he said, had refused the good offices of the Department of Labor in the controversy.

CARRANZA TROOPS DEFEATED

By Force of Villa Soldiers in Mexico After All Day Battle

Laredo, Texas, Dec, 30—Carranza troops contesting the advance northward of the forces of General Villa were defeated Monday after an all day battle at Ramon Arispe between Monterey and Saltillo according to refugees who reached here tonight from Monterey. It also is rumored that Saltillo has been occupied by Villa troops.

The number of troops engaged at Ramon Arispe is not known here, but it is reported that four cars of wounded have reached Monterey.

Great anxiety is reported at Monterey because of the withdrawal of Carranza garrison from that city to Hipolito near Torreon. It is understood that troops are being hurried to Monterey from several towns in Northern Mexico.

The regugees who arrived tonight include the widow of the late Geronimo Trevino, a general in the Federal army during the Diaz regine.

FATHER AND MOTHER IN A QUARREL; SON SHOT FATHER

Interrupting Fuss Between Members of Family Results Seriously.

Macon, Ga., Dec. 30.—T. J. Carr, a merchant of Carrs station, a small town near here, was shot and killed there today. George Carr, a son of the dead man, is sought by the authorities in connection with the killing.

Reports of the affair say the killing followed an attempt of the younger Carr to intervene in a quarrel between his father and his mother and sister.

Information regarding our 1915 Christmas Savings Club cheerfully given by an officer of this bank. American National Bank.—Advertisement. tf

DEVELPMENTS IN EUROPE UNIMPORTANT

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ment of a State monopoly of the trade in corn."

AUSTRIAN STATEMENT.

Declares Several Heights Have Been Captured From Russians.

Vienna, Dec. 30. via London, Dec. 31. —An official statement issued by the war department today gives the following summary of the war situation:

"In the Carpathians our troops delivered an attack north of Uzsok pass and occupied several heights. Our counter attacks to the north of Lupkow Pass (Galicia) have brought to a standstill the Russian advance.

"Further west the enemy attacked some of the passes with small forces. North of Gorlice (Galicia), northeast of Zaklicyn and on the lower course of the Nida the Russian attack failed in the region to the east and southeast of Tomaszow (Poland), we and our allies have made progress.

"In the Balkan war theatre all is quiet on the Servian frontier. Night attacks by the Montenegrins on Gat, near Ivitovac near Trebinje (Herzegovina) have been repulsed."

AERIAL FLEETS BUILDING

France Plans to Invade German in the Spring from the Clouds

New York, December 30—France is building two great fleets of air craft, armed with cannon, darts and bombs with which to invade Germany in the spring, according to Pedro Chapa, a Mexican aviator who arrived here tonight from Europe on the Cunard liner Carpathia.

Hundreds of armored biplanes, each carrying a small cannon and bombs and numerous monoplanes equipped with bombs and steel darts will be ready to sweep across the German frontier when winter is past, Chapa said.

The monoplanes are intended mainly for scout work and will make a speed of 120 miles an hour. All the aeroplanes will have a cruising radius of 130 miles from the frontiers ,said Chapa and attacks will be made by large divisions. The aviators to man these machines are being trained in several large schools established for the purpose, he said.

Chapa, who is a graduate of the Aniversity of Pennsylvania is to go to Mexico City to construct aeroplanes for the Mexican government.

BIG ZEPPELIN DESTROYED.

German Craft Destroyed by British in Recent Raid on Coast.

Geneva, via Paris, Dec. 30.—News has reached Romanshorn and Friedrichshafen that during the recent British aerial raid on Cuxhaven one of the latest super-Zeppelins, completed two months ago, was destroyed in its shed by British bombs and that another Zeppelin escaped only by rising rapidly in the air.

It is said the British attack inland of Cuxhaven, where the Zeppelins were stationed, came as a complete surprise. The Friedrichshafen factory, it is said, has received urgent orders to hasten completion of two Zeppelins, building to replace the big machine destroyed.

Count Zeppelin arrived in Friedrichshafen from the front yesterday to supervise the work.

PRESIDENT DECIDES TO SPEAK AT INDIANAPOLIS.

Virtually Gave His Promise to Speak There at Jackson Day Celebration.

Washington, Dec. 30.—President Wilson today virtually decided to go to Indianapolis to speak at a Jackson Day celebration January 8th. He promised to inform Senator Kern tomorrow definitely whether he would make the trip.

The President was understood tonight to be preparing to make an important address at Indianapolis, but the subject of the speech was not divulged. The trip would be his first visit to the Middle West since becoming President.

Invitations are being received daily for the President to speak in different cities on his return trip from San Francisco Exposition next spring and it was indicated today this trip would be a long one in case no necessity were found for an extra session of Congress.

Although the President has made no announcement, his friends are working in belief that he will be a candidate for the Presidency again in 1916, and therefore particular attention is being paid to plans for the spring trip.

SCIENCE TAKES UP AGRICULTURE.

American Association for Advancement of Science Turns to Subject.

Philadelphia, Dec. 30.—Agriculture's increasing importance and its basis in science were recognized by members of the American Association for the advancement of science today when a separate section, for the first time in the 66 years of the association's history, began consideration of topics related to that science.

Dr. Charles W. Eliot, president of the association, in introducing Prof. L. H. Bailey, of Cornell as vice president of the newly created section, declared America had fallen far behind other countries in agricultural methods and results.

"Many reforms are needed in the teaching of agriculture and more time should be devoted to the teaching of natural science in the schools," he said. "Our race cannot endure urban life and the factory system. Country life development is one of the greatest of the present day humanitarian movements."

ARRESTED IN GEORGIA FOR "WHITE CAPPING"

Men Charged With Having Taken Man From His Home and Flogged Him.

Tifton, Ga., Dec. 30.—Nine white men were arraigned in the Justice Court here today, charged with "white capping." Five were remanded to jail in default of bond, and four were released.

The men are accused of taking John Hancock from his home near Lenox, Ga., Sunday night and flogging him. L. M. Lindsey, living nearby, escaped similar treatment, the authorities said, through the intervention of his wife, who fired a revolver at the men, causing them to flee.

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EXPECT AN EARLY VOTE ON IMMIGRATION BILL

Action in Senate Will Probably be Taken Today.

Debate on the Question Continued Through Yesterday's Session of UpperHouse—Many Views Taken as to Literacy Test

Washington, Dec, 30—Debate on the literacy test section of the immigration bill continued today in the Senate. A vote is expected tomorrow.

Senator Hardwick led the defense of the test. He said he favored it as a protection to American labor against unfair competition and as an aid to securing an intelligent electorate. The test, he declared, would restrict immigration from Southern European countries. The Lawrence, Mass, strike, which resulted in a reign of lawlessness was conducted, he said, principally by illiterate alien strikers.

"But wasn't the leader of the strike so highly educated that he was spoken of for office?" inquired Senator Lewis.

"Perhaps, but his doctrines would not have found such a fertile field if there had not been such illiteracy about him," responded Senator Hardwick.

Senator Lewis suggested the illiteracy test might lead to international complications. He also atacked the provision as inviting gross discriminations in enforcement. Senator Williams defended it and "all other provisions of the bill which tend to procure for this country immigrants who intend to remain and become citizens at heart". He said Congress should go a step farther and require applications for naturalization to pledge themselves in event of war in their country not to leave the United States.

Senator Thorton spoke in favor of the Thomas amendment exempting from the test those persecuted for political reasons.

OFFICER DELANEY TAKES THE BLAME

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ashore; that they refused and he telephoned for the soldiers.

"I want to arrest those two fellows'," Delaney testified he told the soldiers, "Throw a scare into them' but don't hit them'."

When the bullets from the first and second volleys splashed near the hunters' boat, Delaney said, he cautioned the soldiers not to shoot so close.

The third and fatal volley, Delaney said, was fired after the hunters had headed toward the American shore. He had told the soldiers to let them go, but one soldier said, "Let's give them another scare," and he consented. Only two of the soldiers fired.

Delaney said he saw the men drop in the bottom of the boat, but thought they had crouched down to avoid the bullets.

The soldiers, Archibald Kayo, a corporal, and Edmund McIntosh and Leslie Kinsman, privates, testified that they had tried to avoid hitting Smith and his companion.

ROBESON FARMER MURDERED.

Mr. Patrick McEachern Ambushed and Shot to Death.

Fayetteville, N. C., Dec. 30.—The Observer this afternoon carries the following story, which will prove of interest to readers of The Star in Robeson county and other sections of Eastern Carolina:

"Mr. Patrick McEachern, of Robeson county, was ambushed and shot to death on Christmas eve about 7 o'clock by some unknown person, robbed and thrown into a ditch where his body remained until about 9 o'clock Christmas morning, when it was discovered by passers-by.

"Mr. McEachern was returning in his buggy from Maxton to his home near Harmony with a good many Christmas and Santa Claus articles, and when near a big branch, not far from his residence he was shot from ambush. All the goods in his buggy were stolen and his person robbed of his pocketbook, containing a good sum.

"Mr. McEachern was one of the largest and most prominent farmers in Robeson, was a good man, a highly esteemed neighbor and citizen, and his death is greatly lamented. He was a kind and affectionate husband and father. He leaves a wife and eight children."

OFFICERS AND PROMINENT MEN WERE IMPLICATED

Sheriff in Crowd Who Lynched Negroes in Louisiana—Jurymen.

Shreveport, La., Dec. 30. — The names of two men, one a prominent physician and another a member of the police jury, were brought out today in the testimony of Coroner Herold at the lynching investigation being conducted here by State's Attorney General Pleasnant. These men, according to the coroner, were in the party returning from the woods near Sylvester, December 2nd, where later the bodies of two negroes were found. The coroner also testified that Sheriff Flournoy was on the scene at the time. Another witness testified that a member of the grand jury investigating the lynchings witnessed the attack on the jail on the night of December 11th, when another negro was secured by a mob and burned.

FOREMAN KILLS NEGRO

J. S. Kelly Shoots and Kills Jim Glenn Near Greensboro

(Special Star Correspondence)

Greensboro, Dec, 30 J. S. Kelly, a foreman on the double tracking work of the Southern Railway north of the city, yesterday evening shot and instantly killed Jim Glenn, alias Jim Jackson, a negro. The shooting took place near Rudd station. The negro had just fired two shots at a negro woman and had turned upon Mr. Kelly when the latter fired a single shot that struck the negro just above the ear, producing instant death. Kelly gave himself up to the sheriff and this morning Coroner Stanbury held an inquest, which resulted in the exoneration of Kelly. The difficulty started over the small sum of 25 cents, which Carrie Cooper, the negro woman, had loaned Glenn.

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One of the brilliant social events of the Yuletide season in Wilmington was the Christmas dance of the L'Arioso German Club at the Cape Fear Country Club last evening. Music was furnished by Grainger's Orchestra. The rooms of the club house were attractively decorated for the occasion by Rehder. The dance was led by Mr. John Murchison. Following are the names of those dancing:

Miss Jeanette O'Neal with Mr. Thos. W. Strange; Miss Charlotte O'Neill with Mr. Theodore James; Miss Mary Bellamy with Mr. Albert F. Perry; Miss Carolina Holmes with Mr. R. L. Henley; Miss Miriam Parker, of Charlotte, with Mr. R. W. Cantwell; Miss Kate Northrop with Mr. E. M. Hardin; Miss Elise Smith with Mr. Emmett Bellamy; Mr. and Mrs. Graham Kenan; Mr. and Mrs. William Latimer, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Chisholm, Jr., Capt. and Mrs. E. P. Bailey; Miss Almeria Stevenson with Mr. H. C. Calder; Miss Marguerite Hill with Mr. E. H. Holmes; Miss Louise Worth with Mr. MacMillan; Miss Florence Kidder with Mr. Louis T. Moore; Miss Jennie Murchison with Mr. Raymond Hunt; Miss Mary Wright Taylor with Mr. Bernard O'Neill; Miss Elise Kidder with Mr. Robert Wright Strange; Mr. and Mrs. V. B. C. King.

Stags—Messrs. Homer Giles Day, W. W. Storm, L. J. Poisson, John Lee Rorison, Charles Bidgood, Robert deRosset, Jr., Charles Baskerville, Jr., H. C. Rorison.

Chaperones—Mesdames J. V. Grainger, P. L. Bridgers, E. P. Bailey, W. A. Dick, Jno. D. Bellamy, William Latimer, Geo. B. Elliott, J. K. Wise.

JUDGE ROUNTREE ASKS FOR BRIEFS IN CASE

Heard Argument at Chambers in Southport Contrnet Matter Yesterday

After hearing the arguments of attorneys in the matter of a temporary injunction secured by certain Southport citizens several weeks ago against the signing of a contract to put in water and sewerage for the Brunswick capital, Judge Rountree in chambers yesterday requested the lawyers to file briefs, giving an outline of their respective contentions, within ten days.

The Southport aiderman, headed by Mayor Price Furpless, were on the point of signing a contract with the J. B. McRary Construction Company, of Atlanta Ga., to put in a water and sewerage system when certain citizens, among them being Capt. J. J. Atkins, secured a temporary injunction before Judge Oliver H. Allen, who set yesterday as the time when the case should be heard.

Robert Ruark, Esq., of Wilmington, represents Captain Atkins and other citizens while Crammer & Davis and Jos. W. Ruark, Esq., represent the aldermen and other citizens.

The complainants contend that the aldermen had not secured disinterested advice before arranging to give notes that would raise the tax rate higher than it should be and would not be in accordance with the law. They state that they are not opposed to a water and sewerage system but on the contrary are in favor of it but do not want it in too big a hurry.

Among those in attendance at the hearing yesterday were Mayor Price Furpless, Maj. M. C. Guthria, Col. T. M. Thompson, R. E. Ranson, Esq., W. T. Piner, A. J. Robbins, Capt. J. J. Atkins, R. M. Wescott, and Eugene Guthrie.

FOOD SHIPMENTS CEASE.

Packers of Chicago Cannot Ship Food to Europe—Cargoes Are Seized.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Shipment of all food supplies handled by Chicago packers to Europe has ceased completely in the last six weeks because of the seizure of meat cargoes by Great Britain. That statement was made here today by Alfred Urion, attorney for the packers, who said protests had been made previous to the presentation of the case to the British government.

When the first seizure was made six weeks ago, of thereabouts we thought that it to be an error which could be easily adjusted but the continuance of this practice proved that we were in error and we have been pressing the State Department for assistance," said Mr. Urion. "Meanwhile our commerce with Europe has been driven from the seas and no revival seems probable until satisfactory assurances are received from London.

SWALLOWED KNIFE BLADE

Mayor of South Carolina Town Accidently Swallows Knife in Oysters

Anderson, S. C. Dec, 30 —Waking Tuesday night with sharp pains in his stomach after eating heartily of oysters from the half shell, Mayor J. H. Godfrey consulted a physician with the result that an X-ray photograph showed a broken knife blade two and one-half inches long and one-half inch wide in the mayor's intestines. The blade was broken off in the opening of the oysters and unconsciously swallowed by the mayor while imbedded in an oyster. He is reported to be in no danger.

Washington, Dec. 30.—Exports for the week ending December 26th through the 13 ports handling 85 per cent of that trade made a balance of trade of $20,000,000 for the United States and ran the total December balance, thus far, up to $88,777,989, according to official figures of the Department of Commerce today.

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JUSTICES OF SUPREME COURT WORK OVERTIME

Getting 18 Left-Over Appeals Ready by January 13

They Urge Provision for Adequate Clerical Assistance as Solution to Problem—Other Remedies. Raleigh News.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 30.—Judges of the Supreme Court are working steadily on the remaining 18 cases in which there must be rulings made and opinions filed before the work of the term is concluded and final adjournment had, as now scheduled for January 13th. It is the purpose to have all these opinions ready for delivery when the justices go into conference January 13th. The present necessity of carrying the work of the fall term over into the new year is almost unprecedented and indicates the steady multiplication of business through appeals from the lower courts.

The remedying of this condition of overwork for the court is a matter that is receiving much attention and eliciting a variety of means of relief. Attorney General Bickett recommends that provision be made that civil cases involving less than $500 be not appealed to the Supreme Court unless there is procured from some justice of the Supreme Court a writ for the purpose on a showing of specially strong grounds for review.

Want Clerical Assistance.

On the other hand, members of the Supreme Court are insisting that the real means of adequate relief is to provide such an allowance for clerical assistance to the justices as will enable each justice of the court to have the services of a capable lawyer as clerk who can make examinations of references and do law clerk work that the justices have to perform now with the result that the final disposition of cases is greatly retarded.

Of the 18 appeals to be disposed of January 13, there are a number of them of special importance. There is the case of Norris vs. Durfey from Wake that involves the right of the State to collect inheritance taxes on real estate under the revenue acts for five years back, under which the rulings have been that the tax did not apply to real estate inheritances. Another is Morton vs. Light & Power Co., from Elizabeth City, involving the liability of a water company for fire losses when the water supply falls short. Still another is Bank vs. McArthur, from Fayetteville, one of the several cases involving the genuineness of signatures of McArthurs to notes of the Newton McArthur Lumber Co. Others especially important are Board of Education vs. Commissioners, of Charlotte; Cook vs. Hospital, from Buncombe.

A charter was issued today for the Glenden Co., of Edneyville, Henderson county, capital $15,000 by D. N. Sharpe and others for real estate, rental and loan business. There was filed today a certificate of dissolution for the F. D. Alexander Land Co., of Charlotte.

Unprecedented Weather.

December has provided unprecedented weather conditions for this section of North Carolina, if not for the entire State. The weather records show that there have been 30 partly cloudy days, 22 wholly cloudy days and 17 days during which there were rainfalls. The total rainfall for the month was 6.44 inches, compared with 3.60 inches normal rainfall for December. Just at this time the conditions are favorable for considerably moderated conditions in that the mercury has climbed from 15 degrees up to 40 degrees low record, and sunshine has succeeded a long siege of cold cloudy conditions.

Commissioner of Agriculture W. A. Graham finds that North Carolina farmers are third in the Union in the use of commercial fertilizers, but says that this is not necessarily a bad sign since the judicious use of the commercial fertilizers is quite profitable when the needs of the soils and the crops to be planted are considered in the selection of the fertilizers.

Next Teachers' Assembly.

January 16 has been selected as the date for the meeting of the executive committee of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly for the selection of the place for the next annual meeting of the Assembly with a number of the larger cities of the State in the contest for securing the Assembly next Thanksgiving week. These include Raleigh, Greensboro, Wilmington and Winston-Salem. Also, the last meeting at Charlotte was so very successful, indeed, unprecedentedly so, that there is a probability that the Queen City may be found to be one of those strongly considered for the 1915 session, the demand for Charlotte coming up from the teachers themselves who were so delighted with the Assembly sessions there for the 1914 session. The executive committee consists of Mrs. Mary O. Graham, Charlotte; R. H. Wright, Greenville; E. E. Sams, Raleigh; A. P. Pusey, Durham; J. H. Highsmith, Wake Forest; C. C. Wright, Wilkes county; E. W. Massey, Durham; M. B. Dry, Cary; Miss Sallie Bethune, Charlotte.

Setting House in Order.

The Senate chamber and Representatives Hall and committee rooms in the State House are being put in thorough order for the convening of the Legislature January 6th and it is a safe prediction that the law-makers will find the legislative halls and committee quarters in far better condition for their uses than ever before. The halls are being thoroughly aired and dried out and the heating apparatus has been tried out and works most satisfactorily, with the danger of over-heating safeguarded by automatic cut offs at each of the steam radiators so that when the temperature reaches 70 in that part of the hall the steam goes off automatically and as soon as it falls below 70 to any appreciable degree this automatic appliance turns on the steam again. The completion of the new State administration building and the remodeling of the old Supreme Court building make available the most comfortable and convenient committee meeting places that have ever been provided.

The influx of the legislators and those wishing appointments or having other "axes to grind" is expected to begin within a few days now. They are already making reservations in hotels, boarding houses and in those private homes in which rooms will be available.

Died of Alcoholism.

The authorities turned over the remains of J. P. Ryder, who died of alcoholism in the city prison last week, to a brother of the deceased yesterday and he left immediately for Washington, D. C., where the interment will be made, the mother and sister of the deceased living there. It is officially stated that there has not developed the least bit of evidence of any foul play in connection with the death of Ryder.

MRS. BRUCE SOUTHERLAND DEAD

Duplin County Woman Dies of Convulsions—Children Survive

(Special Star Correspondence)

Mount Olive, N. C., Dec 30—Mrs. Bruce Southerland, a Duplin county lady living a few miles southeast of here, died at her home Sunday, her death being due to convulsions, which began Saturday. She is survived by her husband, three or four small children, her mother and father and several brothers and sisters. The remains were interred near her home Monday afternoon.

TRUSTEES' SALE

Of the G. H. Haar stock of Dry Goods, notions and fixtures continues until sold. Prices Guaranteed Below Whole-sale Cost. —Advertisement. 4t.

SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT TO BE VOTED ON SOON

Committee Will Report It to House Right Away.

Chairman of Committee Tells Delegation That He is Opposed to Measure and Predicts Its Defeat by Two-Thirds Majority.

Washington, Dec. 30.—The proposed woman suffrage amendment will be voted on in the House between January 10th and 15th, according to announcement today by Chairman Henry of the rules committee. He told a delegation of suffragists that his committee was ready to present the rule for consideration, but reiterated his purpose to oppose the proposal and said he believed the Democrats would line up almost solidly against it. He predicted it would be defeated by a two-thirds vote.

Mrs. John H. Buck, chairman of the executive committee of the Connecticut Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage, submitted a protest against passage of the amendment.

"It is in the power of every state that wants woman suffrage to have it," the protest said, "and within a few months, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Maine, New Jersey, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, North and South Dakota Ohio, South Carolina, West Virginia and Wisconsin have defeated the measure. In Connecticut a suffrage bill has been defeated for 44 consecutive years."

JESSE CREEL PROBABLY WILL BE TRIED THE COMING WEEK

Newbern Man Charged With Killing of Gannon Fulford

(Special Star Correspondence)

Newbern, N. C., Dec. 30.—Jesse Creel, the aged white man who on Christmas Eve is alleged to have stabbed to death Gannon Fulford on New South Front street, will be placed on trial for his life some time during next week. A one-week term of Craven county Superior court for the trial of criminal cases (jail cases only) will convene on next Monday morning with Judge Connor of Wilson, presiding and, as Creel has not been bonded out, he will probably be placed on trial early in the week.

The old man does not deny the killing but sticks like adamant to the story that he first told and which was to the effect that he did it in self defense. Laura Creel, who is doubtless the cause of the whole affair, is yet living at No. 3 New South Front street and will probably remain here until after her father's trial.

MR. DAVID THOMPSON DEAD.

Was Formerly a Farmer Living Near Warsaw in Duplin County.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Mt. Olive, N. C., Dec. 30.—The remains of David Thompson were interred in the cemetery here yesterday afternoon. Mr. Thompson was a farmer residing near Warsaw, Duplin county; was 83 years of age, and was well known here, having farmed near here practically all of his life, up until a few years ago. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. A. O. Moore, pastor of the Baptist church of Warsaw, where deceased was a member at the time of his death. His death occurred at his home Monday, caused by an affection of the heart.

Where are you going New Year's night? To the The Dansant at Boys' Brigade. (advertisement.)

CONSENTED TO AMPUTATION OF HIS ARM TOO LATE

Blood Poison Cause of Death of Wayne County Farmer

(Special Star Correspondence)

Mount Olive, N. C. Dec. 30—Offie Sutton, a well-to-do farmer living near Dobbersville, this county, died at his home yesterday, his death being caused by blood poison. About two weeks ago, one of Mr. Suton's arms was terribly mangled in a cotton gin, so badly injured that physicians advised immediate amputation of the affected limb. To this Mr. Sutton refused to consent for several days. He did, however, finally consent for the limb to be amputated, but it was too late for the operation to have the desired effect. The reamins were interred near his home this afternoon. He leaves a wife, several children, and numerous other near relatives.

RESTRAINING ORDER ASKED AT INDIANAPOLIS.

Attorney to Prevent Records of Elections Being Destroyed.

Indianapolis, Dec. 30.—To prevent destruction of the official records of the November 3rd election and the May 5th primary in this county, Alvah J. Rucker, who will become prosecuting attorney Friday, today obtained a temporary injunction against Criminal Judge J. T. Markey, Frank P. Banter, present prosecutor, and other officials. Federal District Attorney Dailey said he expected to bring the Indianapolis election to the attention of the Federal grand jury which returned indictments in the Terre Haute case, when it reconvenes Monday.

Mr. Rucker said, in asking for the injunction, that he had learned the records were to be destroyed.

SENATOR BRYANT AT KINSTON.

Addresses University Alumni of Lenoir County at Smoker.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., Dec. 30.—The Lenoir County Association of Alumni of the University of North Carolina held an informal smoker in Pythian hall last night, at which State Senator Victor S. Bryant, of Durham, was the speaker. About 45 members and guests of honor were present. Eleven young men from the county now attending the University were among the guests, and enlivened the occasion with some of the yells and songs that terrified every opponent on the athletic fields of the South this year with one sad exception. Several members made short talks and the famous old institution at The Hill was generally glorified.

DECLARES MARRIAGE WAS INNOCENTLY BIGAMOUS.

Actress Asks That Marriage With Actor be Annulled on That Ground.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Jane Peyton, actress, today applied in the Superior court here for annulment of her marriage to Guy Bates Post, the actor. She asserts that the marriage was innocently bigamous, as she supposed she had been divorced from the late Arthur Cecil Gordon Weld, a musician and playwright.

The plaintiff was at one time well known in local society as Miss Jennie Van Norman, daughter of a wealthy stock broker. She and Post were married in 1907.

New York, Dec. 30.—The revision committee of the cotton exchange today fixed differences between the old New York grades of spot cotton as they will be applied to deliveries on the old style January contracts. The only changes made were increases of from 5 to 30 points in the premiums of grades above middling.

New York, Dec. 30.—Pennsylvania and Cornell played to a tie in the opening round today of the annual tournament of the triangular college chess league. Each took a game from the other and each won twice from Brown.

NOTHING TO WARRANT DISMISSAL OF BRIGGS

Would be Monstrous Outrage, Says Congressman Pou

Finds No Evidence in 45 Pages of Charges to Show That Raleigh Postmaster Has Neglected His Duties—Shake-Up Coming

(Special Star Telegram)

Washington, D. C. Dec. 30—The evidence in the case did not justify Postoffice Inspector Raymond Gray, who made an investigation of the Raleigh postoffice, in recommending the dismissal of Postmaster Willis G. Briggs. This was the conclusion reached by Represenative Edward W. Pou after spending more than two hours at the Postoffice Department today reading the entire 45-page report and recommendation of Inspector Gray.

The most drastic action that could possibly to taken on the evidence collected by Gray, according to Mr. Pou, would have been a recommendation that the attention of Briggs be called to the seeming carelessness of some of his subordinates. There is nothing in the evidence to show that Mr. Briggs neglected his duties in any way, in the opinion of the Fourth District congressman.

"To remove Briggs from office upon what is shown in Gray's report" said Mr. Pou, "would be a monstrous outrage. I not only will refuse to ask that he be removed, but I will resist any movement of that kind with every ounce of power and influence at my command."

One of the charges against Briggs, as already stated in these dispatches, was that of the News and Observer with reference to the weighing of the mails. W. H. Bagley, of the Raleigh publication, according to the report, appeared before Inspector Gray, and told of his grievance. The other charges were of a general nature and, according to Mr. Pou seem to have originated because of some factional differences between the employes of the Raleigh office. Briggs tried to correct the News and Observer grievance. He instructed his men to weigh the mails correctly, but apparently, they did not do so.

The Postoffice Department officials told Mr. Pou, that Briggs had made a fine record as postmaster at Raleigh. Not a scratch against his record during the eight years he has presided over the Raleigh office has been put against him until the present controversy arose. Briggs has handled several million dollars for the government and his accounts have been among the most correct of any coming to Washington.

The charges against Briggs seem to have originated because of factional differences among the employes in the Raleigh office. At least they started that way. There is no doubting the fact, however, that these employes had able assistance from the outside. Just who wrote the first letter to Washington asking for an investigation of Briggs' administration will make interesting reading when the Postoffice Department becomes sufficiently calm to make the report public in full.

It is not saying too much, perhaps, to say that there may be a general shaking up of the clerks now drawing government money at the Raleigh office. Just when this will be done cannot be said at this time, but it is sure to come. P. R. A.

Remember to attend the The Dansant and help the District Neure fund (Advertisement.)

COULD SCARCELY WALK ABOUT

And For Three Summers Mrs. Vincent Was Unable to Attend to Any of Her Housework.

Pleasant Hill, N. C.—"I suffered for three summers," writes Mrs. Walter Vincent, of this town, "and the third and last time, was my worst.

I had dreadful nervous headaches and prostration, and was scarcely able to walk about. Could not do any of my housework.

I also had dreadful pains in my back and sides and when one of those weak, sinking spells would come on me, I would have to give up and lie down, until it wore off.

I was certainly in a dreadful state of health, when I finally decided to try Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I firmly believe I would have died if I hadn't taken it.

After I began taking Cardui, I was greatly helped, and all three bottles relieved me entirely.

I fattened up, and grew so much stronger in three months, I felt like another person altogether."

Cardui is purely vegetable and gentle-acting. Its ingredients have a mild, tonic effect, on the womanly constitution.

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Cardui has helped more than a million weak women, during the past 50 years. It will surely do for you, what it has done for them. Try Cardui today.

Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for *Special Instructions* on your case and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper. J-65

Happy New Year

TO YOU ALL

This is a Good Time to Extend Cordial Greetings to Everybody.

We greet our Friends, of course.

We greet our Customers, who are our Business Friends.

We greet our Business Associates in other lines in this community.

We greet our Competitors, and their customers.

We greet Everybody—even our Enemies, if we have any, or if there are any who think they are.

We Wish you All a Happy New Year.

The A. David Company

The Home of Hart Schaffner & Marx Good Clothes

PAN-AMERICAN UNION DIRECTORS, DISCUSSING NEUTRALITY OF TWO CONTINENTS.

Left to right around the table are: Secretary Bryan, Ambassador Suarez of Chili, Minister Calderon of Bolivia, Minister Mendez of Guatemala, Minister Membreno of Honduras, Minister Morales of Panama, Minister Cordova of Ecuador, Minister Cespedes of Cuba, Minister Domiguez of Venezuela, Director General Barrett (standing), Secretary Ancizar of Colombia, Minister Soler of the Dominican Republic, Assistant Director Yanes (standing), Secretary Moza of Salvador, Minister Mezen of Costa Rica, Minister Menos of Hayti, Minister Chamorro of Nicaragua, Minister Pezet of Peru, Minister de Pena of Uruguay, Ambassador Naon of Argentina and Ambassador da Gama of Brasil.

These men make up the governing board of the Pan-American Union, which met in Washington the other day to consider the question of fixing rules for the neutrality of the United States and the whole South American continent. The board named a commission of nine members on the motion of Ambassador Naon of Argentina (second sitting figure on the right) to study the whole question of neutrality as regards the two American continents. The meeting was considered the most important diplomatic gathering ever held by representatives of North and South American nations. Secretary of State Bryan, as chairman of the governing board, presided over the meeting, which was attended by the diplomatic representative in Washington of every Latin-American republic except Mexico. The absence of Mexico was only due to the unfortunate troubles in that country, and the break in diplomatic relations between that nation and the United States, as a result of which there is no Mexican Embassy in Washington.

DANCING PUMPS ::

AND

Evening Slippers

JUST RECEIVED AT

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FIRST IN SERVICE! FIRST IN QUALITY! FIRST IN THE HEARTS OF OUR CUSTOMERS!

That's the position our store holds today—a position gained only by a broad policy of Honest Merchandise and Fair Dealings.

Never a misrepresentation of Values!

Couldn't do it and build our business to what it is today!

We never forget the fact that with every sale we make we must make a customer.

This is the guiding principle of this establishment.

A quality-retaining stock, priced on a customer-retaining basis.

The sweetness of low prices seldom equals the bitterness of poor quality.

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THE MISSION PHARMACY.

Everybody Reads the Star Business Locals

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THE WILMINGTON STAR CO.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1914.

Farewell, 1914!

Today will be succeeded by Watch Night.

Do people lose time in their efforts to find pleasure?

The road to prosperity will lead through a region of diversified agriculture.

Colquit, of Texas, is only one man. Who cares what he would do if he were President?

Sympathy is defined as "fellow feeling", but suppose a fellow is feeling out of sorts?

From all quarters comes the news that the business outlook for the New Year has greatly improved.

When you find a man full of curiosity he is easily staggered by a bit of gossip that somebody isn't afraid to repeat to him.

New York City objects to having a mormon temple erected in her midst. Really a temple would not help the cause any in New York.

A story leaked out that Austria was endeavoring to arrange terms of peace with Russia and Sérvia, but Austria says it is news to her.

Tonight at 12 o'clock the bells will ring in the successor of a tragic year that will go into history which will be disputed from now till doomsday.

One resolve a young man ought to make for the New Year is not to make a goose of himself when he meets up with a more or less heartless chicken.

Whether the American Indian is a Mongolian or a species of his own, we have seen men of Asiatic countries that looked like the twin brother of our noble Red Men.

Gifford Pinchot now declines to talk for publication. Probably afraid he will say something he can't deny when he takes a notion to change his views on the political line up in 1916.

A sweet potato grower who can make $205.20 on one acre of land can't afford to plant that land in cotton if the one acre would possibly produce six bales of the fleecy staple.

Many of the largest cities in the country report the greatest Christmas trade in their history. People have quit worrying about the European war and have gotten down to business.

One trouble about our forming an alliance, offensive and defensive, with our South American neighbors is that Chile already is talking about kicking Germany in the slats for violating her neutrality. Seems that all of them have very little respect for neutrality in a matter of dire necessity.

Says the Philadelphia Record: "One of the best ways for Democrats to help the Republicans is to lie about the Wilson administration." Then again, Democrats can help the Republicans by being stupid enough to repeat and endorse absurd Republican attacks on the Wilson administration.

In United States vs. Great Britian, the complaint has been filed. It will require considerable time to file the answer to the complaint. Then if the matter is not adjusted after diplomatic maneuvering, the case will go over for arbitration under our peace treaty, with the probability that it will be at least a year before we can display more impatience. By that time the war in Europe may be over.

We ought to do our duty as a neutral in suppressing shipments of contraband of war, while the self respect of the nation demands that it protect its legitimate commerce from all foreign interference that is beyond reason. We ought not to give any of the European belligerents cause to complain of our failure to be disinterested neutrals, but they should really accede to our protest against arbitary interference with American ships and cargoes.

THE COTTON LOAN FUND.

Some impatience has been manifested at the slowness with which the cotton loan fund is being gotten ready for distribution as loans on cotton as security, but it must be remembered that a business that involves the assembling of $100,000,000 or more in capital, and the business plans for handling such a vast sum of money, is not an every day task. We are told, however, that within a few days the Cotton Loan Fund committee, with headquarters in New York, will be in position to act on applications for loans.

A second application for loans has been received from Alabama, and doubtless there will be a rush for the money just as soon as the business can be arranged for in its necessary details. This is the initial effort to operate a pool for any such purpose, and in perfecting the plans entirely anew it has taken a longer period than will be the case in future handling of such funds.

If the South already had a cotton warehouse system, the system could have been adapted with much greater facility to the needs of Southern cotton holders. The cotton situation has strongly emphasized the need of a bonded warehouse system along uniform lines, and the pressing need for storage is shown by the fact that even Southern railroads are using many thousands of surplus cars for the purpose of storing cotton. It is said that on the Atlantic Coast Line, between Wilmington and Rocky Mount, a thousand cars or more are now holding several thousand bales of cotton in storage. The cars hold from 40 to 50 bales each, and this is an emergency storage idea which clearly indicates the need of storage warehouses throughout the cotton growing section of North Carolina.

One advantage that cotton stored in cars in this emergency is that when the time comes to move it to market there will be no delay in loading or movement of trains. Sooner or later there will be something doing on Southern roads when they begin to move the cotton that is bound to be thrown on the market at some time.

There is plenty of need for the cotton pool fund to prevent a too rapid movement of cotton when the time comes to unload. At least 4,000,000 bales of cotton should be carried over till next fall, and certainly the situation would be reassuring if loans could be secured on that much cotton and the stock could be carried over for ten to twelve months.

THE CANDIDATES FOR SPEAKER.

The contest for the speakership of the House of Representatives seems to have narrowed itself down to two men, Messrs. Thomas C. Bowie, of Ashe, and Emmett R. Wooten, of Lenoir. However, we have seen no announcement of the withdrawal of Messrs. L. H. Allred, of Johnston, and A. A. F. Seawell, of Lee, from the race. With the near approach of the opening of the General Assembly, the candidates or their supporters seem to be redoubling their efforts to get the members of the House lined up, and it is probable that the question has already been decided, especially if the gentlemen from Johnston and Lee are not to be in the running at the finish.

Whether Messrs. Allred and Seawell will allow their names to be presented to the House or not, that body will have the opportunity to choose pretty nearly the type of man in whose hands it desires to place the reigns of government of the more popular branch of the Legislature. All four of the gentlemen mentioned are men of ability and legislative experience. All of them have served more than one term in the Legislature, we believe. Certainly Messrs. Wooten and Bowie have several terms each to their credit. All four were recognized as legislators of the first rank in the session of 1913 and all did splendid work. All had important committee assignments and discharged their duties with eminent acceptability to their colleagues.

However, while they are all Democrats, their records will not show that they all stand for the same things when it comes to matters of important legislation. Messrs. Wooten, Allred and Seawell were progressive, but never radical. They occupied the position in the last Legislature that is very well described by the expression "conservatively progressive." They believed that it was possible to improve some conditions in the State, to improve some laws and that it was really possible to enact some new laws without doing violence to "human rights" and the constitution. They showed a willingness to consider proposed measures on their merits and were never ready to wave a new proposition aside, regardless of its merits, merely because it was new. In fact, one could not always tell in advance how they were going to stand on a proposed measure. They themselves didn't always know. They investigated measures, informed themselves on all phases of the questions involved and then made up their minds and voted according to the dictates of their judgment. They were not given to deciding cases before they heard the evidence. They never showed a disposition to fight a proposed measure simply because it was advocated by so-called "reactionaries" or "progressives."

On the other hand, while Mr. Bowie never claimed to be nor was he recognized as the leader of the "conservatives" or of the "reactionaries," he was generally recognized as being more so than the leader. If one desired to have Bowie not to fight a measure, care had to be taken not to let him think that it emanated from any "progressive." The very word seemed to set him against even giving a proposition a hearing. Any such measure as a legalized primary, for instance, he considered hazardous to "human liberty" and was not ashamed to say so. However, there have been but few men in the House in recent years who possessed more of ability, alertness and forcefulness than he, nor were there many who could match him in a forensic fray. He was ever courteous and held the esteem of his fellow legislators.

So, gentlemen of the House, take your choice, remembering that the speaker, by the appointment of the legislative committees, and the exercise of other powers placed in his hands, has far more to do with shaping and coloring legislation than any other man in the body.

NAVAL BASES IN SOUTHERN WATERS.

Under Republican administrations there was a plan to dismantle all Southern naval bases, and all along such stations were hardly recognized as essential. Now, however, the discussion about the unpreparedness of this country for war shows how short sighted was the policy to minimize the advantage of naval bases on the South Atlantic and on the Gulf of Mexico.

When the movement began to dismantle some of the Southern naval stations, The Star was among other Southern papers which pointed out the impracticability of such an ill advised purpose, for it would have been only the part of wisdom for the better availability of the navy to have had bases at the most strategic points on the Southern seaboard.

Secretary Daniels now sees the necessity for bases closer to the Panama Canal and consequently has ordered the re-establishment of the station at New Orleans, with headquarters there for the naval defense of the entire Gulf coast. Captain Marbury Johnson, as commandant, has been designated as supervisor. He will have charge of what is known as the Eighth Naval district, which takes in everything from Tampa to the Rio Grande, including Pensacola, Mobile, New Orleans and Galveston. Captain Johnson will report for duty at New Orleans January 7th.

President Roosevelt ordered the closing of the naval stations at New Orleans and Pensacola, and while Republicans are criticising the Democratic administration for only two years of its management, so little importance was attached to the necessity for naval bases that it was regarded that all that was needed would be a few stations way up on the North Atlantic.

CONTRABAND VS. COTTON.

A correspondent of the New York Journal of Commerce holds out the reasonable idea that the legitimate commerce of the United States should not be allowed to be handicapped by the shipment of contraband of war. Ships can be secured to carry that kind of material while it is difficult to get ships to carry cotton. He suggests that when belligerents name any article as contraband, the United States should prohibit its shipment, since it has been clearly demonstrated that the whole country is suffering because legitimate commerce has to wait on the contraband business out of which a few are making millions.

That is one thing that is the matter with the cotton movement, but where would the constitutional authority be found for prohibiting the shipment of materials of any kind—say cotton, if that should be pronounced contraband?

CURRENT COMMENT.

One Newbernian—Mr. George N. Ives to be specific—estimates his pecan yield for the past season at about 600 pounds. He sold all these pecans at 25 and 35 cents a pound, and has stated that he might have sold more if he had had them.—Newbern Sun.

Figures carried in the local columns of today's paper show that during the present year the sum of one million dollars has been put in new buildings in Charlotte. This is a splendid record of growth and expansion, and it shows that Charlote is on the up-grade If the war continues the new year's record may not reach that grand total, but there are reasons to believe that extensive building operations will also characterize the year 1915—Charlotte News.

Major Stedman, Representative from this district, is the envy of every young man in Congress, for no matter how hard he works, he bobs up every time as fresh as a peach. He came home the other day when Congress took a short recess, but is going back tonight or early tomorrow to be on hand. He thinks there will be little legislation this Winter other than the appropriation bills, and that there will be no extra sesion, for both parties are opposed to it. He stated that there would be no omnibus public building bills introduced this session; that the only things to be considered are special cases, where, for instance, a building is in course of construction and where action is imperative. —Greensboro Record.

Cape Fear Township in New Hanover county keeps right on getting advertised as a result of the record it has made in the matter of sanitary conveniences. Of course the ball was set to rolling for Cape Fear Township when the United States Public Health Service took notice of what had done. The Public Health Service has a press staff that is very active and when the government press agents get busy with a proposition they work it to a finish. The articles furnished by the Public Health Service are widely published because they bear on practical subjects —subjects in which the people are interested and on which they want information. The last paper in which we saw the Health Service comment on Cape Fear Township was in the New York Times and papers all over the country have undoubtedly told their readers that Cape Fear Township in New Hanover county has set a pace for the South by seeing to it that every house in the township has sanitary conveniences. A study of several counties in the South shows nearly one-half of the farm homes without any sanitary conveniences at all and there are said to be many townships in the South where the sanitary index is less than three to a hundred. In the light of these facts it is plain enough that Cape Fear Township has something to brag on. —Raleigh News and Observer.

SOME INTERESTING PRESIDENTIAL MATTER.

How Many Ex's Living at One Time? How Many Presidents in Year?

A presidential advertising contest for advertising purposes was run in one of our State dailies recently and it gave out some interesting facts regarding presidential history, but some of it seemed a little out of gear. Let's see about it.

How many ex-presidents living at one time? The statement was made that Jefferson, Madison and Monroe were all living at one time and that was the only time such was ever the case. Now there have been a number of times three ex-presidents were living and at the time the three mentioned were living John Adams was also living, making four. And at the same time, from March 4th, 1825, to July 4th, 1826, when both Jefferson and John Adams died, John Quincy Adams, son of John, was president. Again in 1845 when James K. Polk became president, Jackson, Van Buren, Tyler and John Quincy Adams were all living. And again in 1861, when Lincoln became president, Van Buren, Tyler, Fillmore, Pierce and Buchanan were all living, making five at that time.

When Hayes became president in 1877, Grant was the only living ex-president, such a condition having not occurred since Jefferson became president in 1801. This has happened twice since, Harrison being the only living ex-president when McKinley became president for the second term in 1901, and in 1909, when Taft succeeded Roosevelt.

Twice we have had three presidents in one year. Van Buren was succeeded by Harrison in 1841, dying one month after his inauguration, and being succeeded by Tyler. Again in 1881 Garfield succeeded Hayes, dying in September following, when Arthur became president. Thus twice have we had three different presidents in one year.

By way of Tennessee, North Carolina has furnished three presidents, Jackson, Polk and Johnson, and has furnished ancestry for several others.

This statement is made with all due regard and respect for Prof. Alexander Graham's Lincoln's claims, which have never been successfully contradicted, Dr. Winston to the contrary notwithstanding. HENRY T. KING.

Greenville, N. C., Dec. 26, 1914.

One-Armed Dad Fights One-Armed Son.

(Elwood, Ind., dispatch to N. Y. World.)

In answer to a hurried call from the western part of the city the police rushed to the home of John Kentner, a junk dealer, where they found John Kentner, Sr., and John, Jr., engaged in a rough and tumble encounter. The father, who has no right arm, was wildly wielding a stove poker, while his son, who has no left arm, was using his single fist with telling effect upon the father. The son was taken to jail.

Did you get a gold coin for a Christmas present? If so, deposit it in The People's Savings Bank. Their regular Interest Quarter begins January 1st, 1915. (advertisement)-2t

J. F. LEITNER
ARCHITECT
27, 28, 29 Garrell Building.

MADE BY HR Southern Map Company WILMINGTON N. C. TRADE MARK
BLUE-PRINTS

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, COUNTY of New Hanover:

By virtue and in pursuance of the power of sale in a certain mortgage made by Charles R. Mason and wife, M. F. Mason, to the Atlantic Trust & Banking Company, dated the 26th day of August, 1912, and duly recorded in Book 69, at page 268, Public Records of this County. Default having been made in the payment of the obligation secured by said mortgage, the undersigned will sell at Public Auction at noon, on the 10th day of January, 1915, at the Court House door of this county, the following described piece or parcel of land lying and being in the State of North Carolina, County of New Hanover, and Harnett Township, to-wit:

Beginning at a stake at low water mark on Middle Sound, a little north of the mouth of the first Branch South of Page's creek, the corner of a tract of land now or formerly owned by Charles Waters, and running thence with said Waters' line north forty (40) degrees west one hundred and twenty-one (121) poles and two (2) links to the line (corner) of a tract of land formerly owned by W. F. Alexander, being the corner of the lands formerly owned by said Waters and B. B. Humphrey, and the said lands herein conveyed; thence with said Humphrey's line North thirty-five (35) degrees east, ninety-two (92) poles, to a stake at the mouth of Red Mill Branch; thence from this stake along Page's Creek at low water mark to Middle Sound, and thence along low water mark of said Sound to a point of beginning, containing sixty-seven (67) acres, more or less.

Dated and posted this 10th day of December, 1914.

ATLANTIC TRUST & BANKING CO., Mortgagee.

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AUTOS FOR HIRE
W. G. FOUNTAIN
Five-Passengers cars $2.00 per hour. Large Cars, $2.50 per hour. Hack calls up to five passengers, $1.00 Good new cars. Day or night. Phone 741. No. 5 N. Third St.
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BURETT H. STEPHENS
ARCHITECT
38-39 GARRELL BUILDING.
WILMINGTON, N. C.

Join the Army.

Of savers that will start the New Year with a deposit at The People's Savings Bank January 2nd, the beginning of "The People's" next Regular Interest Quarter. (advertisement)-2t

Information regarding our 1915 Christmas Savings Club cheerfully given by an officer of this bank. American National Bank.—Advertisement. tf

FIRST USE OF RESINOL STOPS TERRIBLE ITCH

Jan. 27, 1914: "I suffered over eight years with eczema. It started in one little place and kept spreading until it covered my hands. My hands looked like they had been burned by fire and peeled off in large pieces until they were only raw flesh. I was told it was eczema. It itched and burned me so that I could not sleep at night. I tried all sorts of eczema salves and one prescription after another but nothing gave me any relief until I tried Resinol Soap and Resinol Ointment, and after the first application my hands never itched or burned again, and were well in one week. I want every sufferer from eczema to know that they can find a cure in Resinol." (Signed) Miss Ethel Scott, Milstead, Ga.

Physicians have prescribed Resinol for nineteen years, for all sorts of skin troubles, pimples, dandruff, sores, ulcers, burns, etc. Every druggist sells Resinol Ointment and Resinol Soap.

When You See THE PILOT Think of Life Insurance

Southern Life & Trust Co.
GREENSBORO, N. C.

COLDS & LaGRIPPE
5 or 6 doses 666 will break any case of Chills & Fever, Colds & LaGrippe; it acts on the liver better than Calomel and does not gripe or sicken. Price 25c.

HOT OR COLD—
Xmas Is Nearly Here

Have you found all that you need for Xmas? We have a few things left to interest you:
Hudnut's Violet Sec Toilet Water, none better.
Hudnut's Violet Sec Toilet Soap, Guest Room size and regular size, and a Full Line of Hudnut's Toilet Articles.
Vantine's Wistaria Toilet Water.
Mary Garden Talc Face Cream and Face Powder.
Hand-Painted Xmas Cards, Calendars, Etc.
Stein's Theatrical Paints, Burnt Cork, Etc.
A Gold Watch Will be Given Away at Our Store on the 1st Day of February
Come to our store, and let us tell you about it.
Belle Mead Sweets and Lowney's Candies. Fresh by Express.—The Best the World Over.
Bunting's Private Stock Cigars—the Best 5c Cigar in Wilmington, as Good as the Average 10c Cigar.

J. HICKS BUNTING DRUG COMPANY
Wholesale and Retail Druggists.

FOR SALE

300 Bags Green Coffee, various grades; bought before advance.
500 Bags Rice.
200 Barrels Mullets.
Complete line of Groceries, samples and quotations furnished on application.

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311 N. Front St.
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QUAIL
Oysters on the Half Shell
ARE HERE—ALWAYS FIRST AT
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We Need Your Patronage at This Crisis of the War.
SPECIAL MENUS FOR DINNER AND SUPPER.
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TO OUR PATRONS

WE DESIRE TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION FOR THE LARGE AND GENEROUS PATRONAGE GIVEN US DURING THE LAST TEN DAYS.

HOPING TO ALWAYS MERIT YOUR CONSIDERATION AND GOOD-WILL, WE BEG TO REMAIN,

YOURS RESPECTFULLY,

GAYLORD-PLATT COMPANY.

ALL HOLIDAY GOODS AND TOYS WILL BE SOLD DURING THE COMING WEEK AT VASTLY

REDUCED PRICES

210-212-214 North Front St.

Useful Xmas Presents

CARVING SETS. TABLE KNIVES.
WISS SCISSORS.. AUTO STROP RAZORS.
ROASTERS. FOOD CHOPPERS.
BREAD BOXES. CAKE BOXES.
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and Lots of
OTHER USEFUL ARTICLES.

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CUT PRICES

We may Cut the Prices, But Never the Quality on our Clean, Live, Smooth Casting. Grate Bars. Pinions. Gears. Columns, and All Classes made for Builders, Water Works, Street Drains, Etc.
We carry the Largest Stock of Boilers, Engines and Pumps in the city
Pleased to serve you.

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"THE IRON MEN."
ORANGE AND WATER STS.

$47.05 TO HAVANA AND RETURN
VIA KEY WEST OR TAMPA
Thence Steamer to Havana.
RATES COVER MEALS AND BERTH ON STEAMER
Tickets on Sale January 7th, limited to return January 25th, 1915.
CHILDREN AT HALF FARE.
For any detail information, write to F. M. JOLLY, Traffic Agent, Wilmington, N. C.
Via the Atlantic Coast Line:
"The Standard Railroad of the South."

MR. CUMMING LAID TO REST

Funeral Services from Fourth Street Advent Christian Church Yesterday Largely Attended.

Attended probably by a more representative audience than has been assembled on a like occasion in recent years in Wilmington, the funeral of the late Preston Cumming, who died suddenly Monday night at his home, No. 315 South Second street, was held from Fourth Street Advent Christian church, corner Fourth and Church streets, yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The services were conducted by Elder O. T. Mattox, pastor of the church.

The church was filled to overflowing with a congregation in which were members of every denomination in the city. The services were impressive in their simplicity.

A quartette composed of Mrs. F. A. Muse, Mrs. M. H. Longfellow, Mr. Charles Dushan and Mr. Eugene Beery, with Mr. W. G. Robertson, organist at St. James' Episcopal church, as accompanist on the organ, sang "Asleep in Jesus," "Rock of Ages", and "Nearer My God, to Thee."

Following the services at the church the remains were borne tenderly to Oakdale cemetery for interment. The grave was covered with many beautiful and handsome floral designs.

The pall-bearers were as follows: Honorary, Messrs. H. C. McQueen, James Sprunt, E. S. Martin, W. H. Northrop, A. D. Brown, Walker Meares, Dr. C. P. Bolles and Dr. J. E. Mathews; active, Messrs. Iredell Meares, Brooke G. Empie, R. P. McClammy, Jas. H. Cowan, W. B. Thorpe and M. S. Willard.

The members of the Cape Fear camp, United Confederate Veterans, acted as an escort for the remains of their deceased comrade in arms, as it was borne to its last resting place.

Preston Cumming, Jr., Esq., of New York, arrived yesterday morning to attend the funeral of his father.

With reference to the death of Mr. Cumming, the Fayetteville Observer yesterday afternoon had the following:

"Many residents of Fayetteville will be grieved to hear of the death of Mr. Preston Cumming, which occurred at his home in Wilmington Tuesday morning. He was in his 72nd year. Captain Cumming was a Christian gentleman, was a scholar and a man of literary attainments and business ability. He was a Confederate soldier, and commanded Cumming's battery during the Civil War. He served well his Maker, his country and mankind, and his death is a loss to his community and the State."

BUILD CHURCH IN CHINA.

Plan Fine Memorial for Late Dr. R. J. Willingham.

A movement for the construction of a $50,000 memorial church in China as a monument to the late Rev. Dr. R. J. Willingham, who died in Richmond December 20, while on his way to attend services, was started by the Rev. J. L. White, in the First Baptist church of Macon, Ga., yesterday, says the Richmond News-Leader.

Baptists of the South are expected to contribute liberally to the fund for the erection of the proposed memorial. During the twenty-two years that he was secretary of the Baptist foreign mission board, Dr. Willingham was closely in touch with mission work in China, where the board maintains a large force of missionaries.

Dr. Willingham was the father of Dr. R. J. Willingham, of this city, and was one of the most distinguished men of his denomination in the South.

Sent to the Recorder.

Probable cause was found yesterday by Justice Harriss in a case against Mr. P. T. Lewis, of Brunswick county, who is charged with larceny by trick, and it was sent to the Recorder for trial today. His cash bond of $50 was continued. It is alleged that he got a sack of potatoes that did not rightfully belong to him from Mr. C. D. Gilbert, a commission merchant.

WINTER PARK M. E. CHURCH

Organized Last Night With Thirty Members—Very Bright Prospects —Site for Building

Last evening during the course of business of the regular quarterly conference of the Seagate charge, held at 7:30 o'clock in the public school building in Winter Park village, the Rev. L. E. Thompson, the presiding elder in the chair, the Winter Park Methodist Episcopal church, South, was duly organized with a membership of something like thirty and with excellent prospects for a strong and growing church in this rapidly developing suburb of Wilmington.

It will be recalled that at the last session of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church, in Washington, N. C., Rev. G. M. Daniel, an able and deeply consecrated young minister, was assigned to the Seagate group of churches, including Winter Park, and at the regular quarterly conference of these churches last evening, the Winter Park church was formally organized. Officers of the church were elected and arrangements have been made for services to be held regularly in the school building, beginning next Sunday at 11 A. M., until permanent arrangements for a house of worship can be made by the trustees. The officers of the new church elected last night are as follows:

Stewards—Messrs. W. F. King and W. P. Farrah.

Trustees—Messrs. Geo. C. Jackson, E. R. Ellis, C. E. Hall, Edw. Schulken, G. B. Webster, Lewis Williams and F. B. Ausley.

Superintendent of the Sunday school —Mr. Lewis Williams.

Lay Leader—Mr. George C. Jackson.

The trustees were authorized at the conference last night to proceed at once with purchase of a lot facing Third street and Peachtree avenue, near the intersection of the Masonboro and Wrightsville turnpikes, and the congregation will begin work as soon as practicable in the erection of a handsome little church on this property. Rev. Mr. Daniel, who has already received a most cordial welcome among his people at Seagate and Masonboro, will have charge of the new church at Winter Park under Conference assignment and as there are a number of Methodist families now residing in the Park, the outlook for a great work in this thriving community is considered very bright indeed.

NO MORE TREES IN STREETS

Council Directs Supt. John C. McAllister to Remove Them at Once. Market Street Paving Begun.

The presentation of a claim for $195 against the city of Wilmington by Mr. C. S. Hopkins to cover the cost of repairing his automobile which he says was damaged in that amount Friday night when he drove it in the darkness against a tree that stands in Third street beyond the curbing, between Nun and Church, and a ruling by City Attorney E. K. Bryan that the city is negligent in allowing trees to stand in such position in the streets, resulted yesterday in City Council ordering Superintendent of Streets John C. McAllister to fell all such trees in the city. The claim of Mr. Hopkins was referred to City Attorney Bryan and Councilman B. A. Merritt.

Mr. David Struthers, assistant city engineer, reported to Council that the work of improving Market street, from Front to 17th, had been commenced yesterday morning. He stated that the paving would be laid with as little inconvenience to the public as possible. The work of improving Market street, which will cost approximately $40,000 and for which the Atlantic Bituulithic Company has the contracts, was begun yesterday morning at the Tenth street intersection. The first work to be done, of course, is that of grading. Mr. Struthers said the work of laying the bituulithic would follow the grading as rapidly as possible.

Mr. Struthers called the attention of members of Council to the fact that the Tidewater Power Company has tracks crossing Market street and that under the law it is required to be responsible for the paving of a certain number of inches on either side. He said that the Tidewater proposed to lay wooden blocks on a concrete base and that the latter would be done by the city, a bill to be rendered for this work.

Mr. Struthers was instructed to notify the Tidewater Power Company that it would be expected to pave for 18 inches on either side of the track as provided for in the act authorizing the bond issue. There is a clause in the charter of the Tidewater Power Company which provides for only 12 inches of paving on either side of the track and there is now a suit in Superior Court in which the city is suing for the difference claimed on an 18-inch basis.

In addition to the tree in Third street the position of which Mr. Hopkins claims resulted in the smash-up Friday night that resulted not only in much damage to his car but in injuries to his wife and her sister, though not serious, the attention of Council was called to the position of two trees on Fifth street, between Castle and Queen, which are said to stand out in the street, away from the curbing. Mr. Hopkins reported that he was driving slowly Friday night, returning from the theatre, but failed to see the tree before it was too late to avoid the collision because there was a heavy mist, even though the strong lamps on his car were lighted. He said he was driving close to the curbing to avoid collision with other vehicles.

It was the opinion of City Attorney Bryan that there was no question of the negligence of the city in allowing trees to stand in such position in the streets and that it has occurred to him before to call the attention of Council to the fact. However, the issue would hinge, he thought, upon the question of whether the person sustaining damages had previous knowledge of the position of the tree and, therefore, whether the complainant did not contribute to the negligence in failing to steer clear of the tree.

Following discussion of the matter by various members of Council, it was decided that such trees should be removed and Superintendent McAllister was instructed to take such action without delay. The work of felling the trees in question was begun yesterday afternoon.

Council voted to provide a special officer in the vicinity of Seventh and Orange streets for 30 days, in an effort to break up some of the disorder reported there recently. This action followed complaints by Messrs. W. K. Stewart and C. H. Bornemann, who asked for better police protection.

A request of Mr. H. Evenson, merchant at Eighth and Castle streets, that a light be placed at that corner, was referred to Councilman Merritt. Mr. Evenson, whose store was robbed recently, stated that the absence of a light at the corner made the place more attractive to robbers.

A proposition by Mr. J. M. Stevenson relative to life insurance on the city's live stock was referred, after some discussion, to Councilman T. W. Wood for investigation and report. Mr. Stevenson's proposition was that he would insure the live stock against death from any cause for $7 per $100. The city at present carries only fire insurance on its live stock.

Council deferred action, pending action by the county commissioners, on a request made by Mr. William Crownstream for relief from taxes for Mr. Charles Casteen, a former merchant, who is now said to be an invalid. Mr. Crownstream stated to Council that Mr. Casteen has only about $15 worth of merchandise and a few household goods.

WERE MANY "COONERS."

Merry Masqueraders for the New Year Already on Streets.

Merry masqueraders, in all sorts of guises and disguises, have always contributed their share to the New Year's gaieties in Wilmington and already this form of amusement—"coonering", as it is more commonly called—has made its appearance on the streets, many "cooners" having invaded the down-town section of the city last night with all sorts of ludicrous costumes and masks.

Before this form of amusement is adopted, as a safeguard against abuses of the custom, a permit from the police department is required and blanks are kept printed for this purpose and are issued at the police station without charge. These give permission to the parties named on the permit to appear on the streets in costume and mask, one person to always accompany each party in plain clothes and unmasked. Up to last night, it was stated at the police station, more than 200 of these permits had been issued to various and sundry people.

Did you get a gold coin for a Christmas present? If so, deposit it in The People's Savings Bank. Their regular Interest Quarter begins January 1st, 1915. (advertisement)-2t

TRUSTEES' SALE

Of the G. H. Haar stock of Dry Goods, notions and fixtures continues until sold. Prices Guaranteed Below Whole-sale Cost. —Advertisement 4t

MARINE CIRCLES ACTIVE

British Steamer Hermia Cleared Yesterday With Cargo of Cotton for Liverpool, England.

With one arrival and two clearances, both of which carried valuable cargoes from this port, Wilmington's marine circles gave forth an appearance of life yesterday that has been lacking since the close of last year's cotton season. Exports from this port yesterday totaled nearly half a million dollars, while a Danish steamer arrived from across the waters to load cotton seed cake for transportation to her home country.

The British steamer Hermia, of 1,305 net tonnage, under command of Captain Leslie, cleared and sailed for Liverpool, England, with a cargo of 6,800 bales of cotton from Alexander Sprunt & Son. The cotton was valued at $408,000 and constituted the first full cargo of cotton to leave this port in a British bottom for Europe during the present season. The Hermia has been loading for some time. Several neutral bottoms have sailed from this port with cotton for Europe this season and recently the average has been one vessel a week. The Hermia was consigned to Alexander Sprunt & Son.

The schooner William Thomas Moore, in charge of Captain Jones, cleared and sailed for New York with a cargo of lumber shipped by Robert R. Seizer & Co. The cargo consisted of 298,000 feet of pine lumber valued at very near $4,500. The export of pine lumber from this port reaches quite a neat sum in a year's total, the majority of which goes to New York or to Jersey City. The vessel was consigned to C. D. Mallitt & Co., agents.

Under the command of Captain Jorgensen, the Danish steamer Osborn, of 1,333 tons, arrived here yesterday afternoon, light, to load cotton seed cake at the Seaboard Air Line terminals. This will be the second cargo of cotton seed cake to leave this port within the month of December. The Osborn comes from Bergen, Norway, and it is understood her cargo when loaded will be consigned to Europe. The vessel comes to Henry Whyte, agent.

OTHER CASES CONTINUED

Recorder Empie Will Pass on Raffling Charges in January

Recorder Brooke G. Empie yesterday continued the cases against Messrs. Frank Shepard, H. L. Fehtress, R. H. Reville, R. F. Warren, M. L. Starkey, Fait Southerland, M. D. Bright, R. L. Burton, W. H. Hines and P. H. Rountree until January 18th. They are charged with operating punchboards which are alleged to be a species of gambling.

Messrs. W. H. McEachern and T. D. Meares, Jr., were each taxed with one-half the costs for engaging in a fistic encounter at Front and Princess streets on Christmas Eve. A nol pros with leave was taken in a case against Frank Bethea, colored, charged with an assault with a deadly weapon. Augusta Hill, colored, was sent to the county farm for 15 days for being drunk and disorderly. Judgment was suspended upon payment of the costs in a case against Reddie Miller, colored, charged with carrying concealed weapons. Walter Thomas, colored, got 60 days on a charge of beating his wife.

Schools Open on Monday.

Mr. John J. Blair, superintendent of the Wilmington schools, who has been spending the holidays at his former home at High Point, N. C., is expected to return to the city this evening and will have everything in readiness for the re-opening of the schools of the city on Monday. Mr. Oscar A. Hamilton, principal of the Hemenway school, is "moving heaven and earth," figuratively speaking, to have everything in readiness for the opening of his school in the handsome new building just completed and he stated last night that it appeared there would be no doubt about being able to get into the new home at that time.

PITTSBURG FEDS WON'T COME

Baseball Team Will Train at Augusta, Ga., —Much Speculation as to Team for Wilmington

While there is much speculation in baseball team will establish its baseball teams will establish their spring training camp in Wilmington, since the Phillies long ago decided to go to St. Petersburg, Fla., Next season, it will be of interest to know that the Pittsburgh Feds, who have been negotiating with the Wilmington Athletic Association with reference to coming to this city, have definitely decided to train next spring at Augusta, Ga.,

It was stated in an Associated Press dispatch to The Star last night that the Pittsburgh Federal league club announced yesterday that the team would train for the 1915 season at Augusta, and that the team would leave Pittsburgh the first week in March.

The Wilmington Athletic Association is making an effort to secure the Washington Americans but has not yet received a definite decision from them. It is understood that the Pitsburgh Feds were anxious to come to this city but as the association would not sign up with them definitity until learning of the decision of the Senators, they seemed to have passed Wilmington up as an available training point.

Mr. John Blemme, who takes more interest in baseball than anybody else in these parts, is now handling the affairs of the Wilmington Athletic Association. This organization controls the splendid athletic field at Sunset Park, one of the best baseball grounds in this section, even though the Phillies did find it muddy after the rain and sleet last spring and immediately decided that Wilmington weather is always abominable.

Mr. Blomme is in communication with baseball enthusiasts at Newbern, Rocky Mount, Fayetteville Goldsboro, Wilson and Kinston with a view of organizing a baseball league which shall include these towns together with Wilmington. He has talked with a number of Wilmington business men and is enthusiastic over the outlook.

Saturday, Jan. 2nd.

All deposits made with that strong old bank on corner of Front and Princess streets draws interest from January 1st. This is the next regular Interest Quarter of The People's Savings Bank. (advertisement)-2t

LOCAL DOTS.

—The Wilmington Public Library will be closed tomorrow on account of its being New Year's Day. It will be open today as usual.

—Isaac McIntire, colored, who was arrested yesterday by Constable Davis on a warrant charging him with an assault on a female, will have a hearing before Justice Harriss today.

—By deed filed for record yesterday George O. Gaylord transferred to Daisy Lee Woodbury, for $500 and other considerations, lot 25x100 feet in size, on west side of King street, in Love Grove.

—The freight warehouses of the Seaboard and Atlantic Coast Line in this city will be closed on Friday, New Year's Day, except between the hours of 9 and 10 A. M., and then for the delivery of perishable freight only.

—The Sheriff's office was busy yesterday in writing receipts for the current year's taxes. Since the demoralization incident to the holidays, the colections have been quite satisfactory, a majority of people preferring to pay up now rather than to have costs added.

—Charged with hunting on posted lands of Mr. M. S. Willard, in Masonboro township, under a warrant sworn out by Mr. H. Mack. Godwin, in Justice Harriss' court, Messrs. E. R. Pickard and C. G. Coster, were served with warrants yesterday. The time for the trial has not been set.

—Joe Wilson, colored, was arrested early yesterday morning by the police on a charge of larceny, it being alleged in the warrant that he stole certain articles from the store of H. Evenson, corner Eighth and Castle streets, last Thursday night. Perdy Wright, Mamie Clark, Addie Howes, Sarah Howard and Rosa Haywood, all colored, were arrested on a charge of having received stolen goods. The evidence against the negroes is not at all conclusive, and the police are working to secure other evidence before submitting the matter to the Recorder.

EMPLOYEES MAY BUY STOCK

Bell System Arranges to Sell to Those on Pay Roll Who Wish to Buy

The American Telephone and Telegraph Company announces that arrangements have been made by which employees of the Bell System who have been two years or more in the service and who so desire may purchase stock of the company for $110. per share on easy terms of payment. No employee can purchase more than one share for each $500. of annual wages he receives nor more than ten shares whatever his wages.

The terms of payment will be $2.00 per share per month beginning with March, 1915, and the quarterly dividends paid on the stock will go towards paying for it after deducting interest at 4 per cent annum on the unpaid bafances. Any employee who so desires can after March 1st, 1917, but not before, pay in the balance on his stock and receive his stock certificate. Should an employee leave the service or die before his stock is fully paid for, the amount he has paid in plus the accumulted dividends (less 4 per cent interest) will be paid back.

The American Telephone and Telegraph Company is the parent company of the Bell Telephone System which operates or connects with eight and a half million telephone stations, throughout the United States. It has about 60,000 stockholders and 160,000 employees.

MORE PLACES TO FILL.

Government Needs High Class Men—Examinations Announced.

The United States government needs some more high class men and through the Civil Service Commission has announced examinations to be given in January and February. Full particulars can be had by writing the Commission. Following are the positions open, the salaries paid and the date of the examinations:

January 19—Expert wetting and sizing operator, male, $1,200.

January 20 and 21—Laboratory aid in physics, male and female, $800 to $720; graduate nurse and dietition, female, $1,200.

January 26—Senior Animal husbandman, male, $2,000 to $2,500; senior animal husbandman, male, $2,000 to $2,500.

February 2—Sanitary engineer, male, $2,500.

February 3—Physician, male, $1,100; electrical draftsman, male, $3.52 to $5.52 per diem; marine engine and boiler draftsman, male $5.04 per diem; physical laboratorian, male, $3.04 per diem; copyist marine engine and boiler draftsman, male, $2.80 per diem; copyist electrical draftsman, male, $2.28 per diem; copyist ordnance draftsman, male, $3.04 per diem.

Recovering His Health

Mr. Louis Abelovitz, who has been at Mt. Sinai Hospital, New York, for the past ten weeks, is in the city again and has been welcomed by his friends. He underwent an operation in the hospital which proved very successful and his many friends will be glad to know he is rapidly gaining his health again. He will be here for several weeks, but has decided, however, that in future he will not give his personal attention to his business here, but will return to New York on account of his health.

1915.

Begin it with a savings account with The People's Savings Bank, corner of Front and Princess streets. Their regular interest quarter begins January 1st and 2nd. (advertisement.)-2t

JANUARY 1st, 1915

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Miss Josephine Harriss has returned from a very pleasant visit to friends at Warsaw, N. C.

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Miss Mary Agnes Ranson, of Southport, was the guest yesterday of her cousin, Miss Josephine Rehder, of this city.

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Miss Emma Donnelly Yopp is visiting her cousin, Miss Marguerite Ellsworth, of Wallace.

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Mr. and Mrs. John F. Kirk, of Baltimore, are the guests of Mrs. Kirk's sister, Mrs. Robert D. Tucker, No. 308 Grace street.

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Mr. R. H. Williams, of Burgaw, is in the city on business and while here is the guest of his sister, Mrs. S. W. Newton, No. 712 Dock street.

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Mrs. W. N. Dickens, of Knoxville, Tenn., who is connected with the Methodist College at Maxton, N. C., is spending the holidays here with her cousin, Mrs. W. E. Cox, on Red Cross street.

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Mrs. Chas. St. George, Mrs. Viola Guthrie, Misses Mary Weeks, Ellabelle St. George, Eva St. George and Beulah Stiffler, of Southport, were among the visitors to the city yesterday for the day.

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Yesterday's Raleigh News and Observer says: "Dr. E. A. Alderman, president of the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, is expected in the city shortly, the guest of Governor and Mrs. Craig at the mansion."

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Complimentary to Mr. and Mrs. Marx S. Nathan, of Raleigh, who are spending the holidays with relatives of Mr. Nathan here, a delightful dance will be given tonight in the rooms of Harmony Circle, on South Front street.

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Yesterday's Raleigh News and Observer: "Raleigh friends of Junius Davis, Esq., one of the best known members of the Wilmington bar, will regret to know that he continues seriously ill at his home there. His illness is such as to cause his friends much concern."

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Wilson, N. C., Dec. 30.—Invitations have been received here announcing the approaching marriage of Mr. J. L. Moody, one of Wilson's enterprising business men, to Miss Mable Claire Lassiter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lassiter, of Portsmouth, Va. The marriage is to take place January 6th, and Mr. and Mrs. Moody will be at home here after January 10th.

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The Willing Workers Missionary Band of the First Presbyterian church will entertain, with a Chirstmas cantata and tea, the ladies of the Catherine Kennedy Home, Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Memorial Hall of the church. There will be no admission charge, but every member of the congregation and friends of the home are invited to be present and to bring a pound of something suitable for the occasion.

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PRETTY HOME WEDDING IN FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.

Fayetteville, N. C. Dec. 30—A pretty marriage ceremony was performed Sunday evening at the bride's home on Kennedy street in this city, when Miss Laura Phillips, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Phillips, and Mr. Wade H. Saunders, a successful hardware merchant, were united in marriage. Rev. W. R. Royall, pastor of the Hay Street Methodist Episcopal church, was the officiating clergyman. A small company consisting of those connected with the families and few friends, was present. After the marriage a sumptuous supper was served at the home of the bridegroom. Mr. and Mrs. Sanders took a northbound train for an extended wedding tour. They will be at home on Adams street after January 1st. Mrs. Sanders is an attractive and accomplished young woman, while Mr. Sanders is among the most progressive of Fayetteville's merchants.

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NEW YEAR'S RECEPTION BY WILMINGTON ELKS TONIGHT.

Wilmington Lodge, No. 532, B. P. O. Elks, will hold its annual New Year's reception in the Elks' Temple, No. 213 North Front street, this evening, instead of New Year's night as usual. From 8 to 11 o'clock tonight the Elks will entertain a large number of their friends.

The committee on reception is composed of Exalted Ruler S. M. King, chairman; and Dr. Chas. T. Harper, Dr. J. H. Bornemann and Messrs. C. W. Polvogt, L. Stein, James Owen Reilly and H. E. Longley.

A musical programme will be rendered and refreshments will be served. There will be dancing during the evening.

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Attractive invitations received yesterday bear the formal announcement of the approaching marriage of prominent Wilmington young people, whose engagement was announced recently:

Mr. and Mrs. James William Jackson request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Eloise to Mr. George Honnet, second on Thursday, January the fourteenth at half after five o'clock First Presbyterian church Wilmington, North Carolina.

Both the bride-elect and prospective groom have a host of friends in Wilmington and elsewhere, who will receive with much pleasurable interest the announcement of the wedding ceremony.

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MISS BESSIE HACKNEY IS BRIDE OF MR. W. D. ADAMS.

Wilson, N. C., Dec. 30.—Tonight at the Christian church, in the presence of friends who filled the auditorium, Miss Bessie Hackney became the wife of Mr. W. D. Adams. The vows were given by Rev. Richard Bagby, pastor of the church. These two young people, having lived their lives to this time in the community, have the best wishes of the entire citizenship. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Hackney, and a young woman of many excellent qualities. The groom a successful business man, a member of the Barnes Harrell Company, has proven his sterling character. After a wedding trip north Mr. and Mrs. Adams will live in Wilson.

Following the ceremony tonight, a reception was given the bride and groom at the home of the parents of the bride.

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MISS NELLIE R. McLEAN BRIDE OF MR. R. B. McLENNAN

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 30.—Miss Nellie Ross McLean was married to Mr. R. B. McLennan, of Chapel Hill, in Westminster Presbyterian church last evening, Rev. Charles E. Hodgin being the officiating minister. The church was attractively decorated for the event. Miss Annie Roberson was organist and rendered several selections. Miss Ruth Mendenhall sang "Oh, Promise Me," and "I Love You Truly." The maid of honor was Miss Annie Louise Wharton, and Mr. S. I. Cannada, of Durham, was best man. After the ceremony the couple left for a trip to Jacksonville and St. Augustine. On their return they will make their home temporarily in this city. The bride is a member of one of the county's oldest and best known families, and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. McLean. Mr. McLennan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. McLennan, of Chapel Hill, and a most estimable young man.

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Wilson, N. C. Dec. 30—Mr. Allie Fleming, son of Mr. Charles M. Fleming, local manager of the Imperial Tobacco Company, was married at Weldon Tuesday to Miss Anna Louise Williams, daughter of Mrs. Mary Montgomery Williams. The bridal couple went north for a two weeks trip and will locate in Wilson on their return.

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Many friends, not only in Wilmington but up and down the Seaboard Air Line from Wilmington to Charlotte where he is as well and as favorably known as he is in his home town, will hear with much regret of the illness of Capt. W. L. Beery, at his home on Fourth and Market streets. Capt. Berry while on his run as conductor out of Wilmington on the Seaboard Tuesday, suffered an attack of appendicitis and since that time has been confined to his room and under the care of Dr. R. Harllee Bellamy. He was thought to have been improved last night though still with fever. It has not yet been determined whether an operation will be necessary, but his many friends are hoping that this may not be necessary and that he may soon be restored to his accustomed health.

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EVENT AT BOYS' BRIGADE TO BE ELABORATE AFFAIR.

The T'e Dansant at the Boys' Brigade tomorrow afternoon and evening will be a delightful affair. There will be no tickets sold and admission will be paid at the door. The proceeds go to the district nurse fund. In the afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock, the children will be entertained while the evening will be for those of maturer years.

The King's Daughters, under whose auspices the entertainment is given, offer a most unique and attractive programme in which some of the most graceful and accomplished young ladies of Wilmington will appear in the modern dances. A special feature will be Greek poses from Pandora's box by four of the season's debutantes. Refreshments will be served both afternoon and evening.

Beyond all other pleasures will be the satisfaction enjoyed by those attending of having helped a worthy cause in contributing to the fund for the maintenance of the district nurse for the benefit of the poor people of the city. Admission for ladies, 25 cents; children, 15 cents; gentlemen, 50 cents.

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MISS EVA NORMAN PARMELE BRIDE OF MR. J. A. ELMORE.

A wedding of much interest to many friends here and elsewhere was celebrated yesterday afternoon at Grace Methodist church when Miss Eva Norman Parmele, daughter of Mrs. Edgar L. Parmele, of this city, became the bride of Mr. John Archer Elmore, of Montgomery, Ala. The hour for the ceremony was 6 o'clock and the church was filled with friends who were present to attend the ceremony.

The officiating clergyman was Rev. John D. Bundy, pastor of Grace church, and the wedding vows were taken in accordance with the ritual of the Methodist faith. The wedding marches were rendered by Mrs. Mattie L. Chasten.

Promptly at the time appointed for the ceremony the bridal party entered the church and grouped themselves around the altar, where the vows which made the happy couple husband and wife, were taken. The bride was given away by her brother, Mr. Chas. B. Parmele, of Wilmington.

The bride had as her maid of honor Miss Margaret Pleasants, of Wilmington, who was gowned in yellow brocaded crepe de chine and carried a bouquet of sunburst roses. The first bridesmaid was Miss Mary Manly Elmore, of Montgomery, a sister of the groom. She was gowned in yellow crepe de chine trimmed in embroidered white chiffon. The other bridesmaids were Miss Mae Wilson and Miss Lydia Post, of Wilmington, both of whom were gowned in yellow and white chiffon over yellow satin.

The groom was accompanied by his friend, Mr. Richard Vassar Elmore, of Montgomery, as best man, and the groomsmen were Messrs. William Nicrosi, of Montgomery, Jas F. Post, Jr., and Geo. L. Mitchell, of Wilmington and W. N. Post, of Harvard College.

The bride was attractively gowned in white crepe meteor, with cour train, and carried a shower bouquet of brides roses and lilies of the valley.

The color scheme for the wedding was yellow and white and this idea was effectively portrayed in the church decorations and the costumes. The bridesmaids carried garden baskets containing sunburst roses and white sweet peas.

Following the ceremony the wedding party and out-of-town guests of the family assembled at the residence of the bride's mother, where hearty congratulations were extended the bride and groom. Mrs. Frank H. Elmore, Sr., of Montgomery, mother of the groom, assisted the bride's mother in receiving the guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmore departed on the 6:45 train for Jacksonville, Fla., for their honeymoon, following which they will visit the groom's relatives at Montgomery. Later the couple will go to Eufaula, Ala., where they will make their home. They will be accompanied with the best wishes of many friends in Wilmington, all of whom will look forward to frequent future visits from the bride.

Complimentary to the bridal party Mrs. Guy A. Cardwell, a sister of the bride, on Monday evening entertained at bridge at her home, No 418 Ann street, and on Tuesday evening Miss Margaret Pleasants entertained at her home on Princess street, each having been a most delightful event of the week in Wilmington.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. C. C. Parker, formerly a well known barber of Wilmington, but now a student at the Trinity Park school, is spending a few days in the city and is being warmly greeted by his many friends.

MR. THOMAS G. PICKETT DEAD.

Respected Citizen Passed Away Yesterday Afternoon—Funeral Today.

Mr. Thomas G. Pickett, age 61 years, died at his boarding place, No. 105 Dock street, yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock after an illness of several days with acute indigestion. He had been in feeble health for some time. The body was removed yesterday afternoon to the home of his sister, Mrs. W. P. Oldham, No. 213 South Second street. The only other surviving relative is his brother, Mr. R. H. Pickett, of this city. They will have the tenderest sympathy of a host of friends.

Mr. Pickett was a native of Wilmington and lived here all his life. He had been a member of the firm of the W. J. Kirkham Produce Company for the past three years. Before that time he was associated with Capt. W. P. Oldham in the produce business.

The funeral will be conducted from the residence of his sister this afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. Dr. J. H. Foster, pastor of the First Baptist church. The interment will be in Oakdale cemetery.

SPEAKER CLARK'S DAUGHTER TO WED.

Miss Genevieve Clark, daughter of Speaker Champ Clark of the House of Representatives, who is the best known young woman in Washington, has announced her engagement. She will wed James M. Thompson, publisher of the New Orleans Item. The ceremony will take place some time in the spring or early summer, at her father's home at Bowling Green, Mo. Though she is only nineteen now, she came into national notice at the Baltimore convention in 1912, when she led the cheering for her father when he was named in the convention.

Miss Clark takes considerable interest in politics, and has become acquainted with most of the leaders in Washington. Some of them talk politics with her, and her knowledge of the game has been commented on very often.

THEATRICAL

The New Grand was crowded again yesterday, and the huge audiences beheld a huge show, which hugely delighted them. The theatre is certainly offering the Wilmington folks extra big things for New Year's week, and appreciation is demonstrated by the immense sized audiences, which include numerous visitors to the city. Following up its past big successes, the New Grand will today offer another great show, headed by a really phenomenal two-reel feature, the Biograph's "Masks and Faces". It is a screen version of Charles Reade's famous novel, "Peg Woffington," and this in itself will, no doubt, serve to attract people by the hundreds.

The noted screen artist, Gretchen Hartman, will appear in the role of "Peg Woffington," while Alan Hale will be seen as "Ernest Vane," the husband who becomes infatuated with the actress. The part of the wife will be masterly portrayed by Vola Smith, while Edward Cecil will appear in the part of "Sir Charles Pomander."

Edison's latest dramatic, "A Gypsy Madcap," a tale that is stirring and intense, will also be a feature today, with Mabel Trunnelle and Edward Earle in the stellar parts. Then there will be a great comedy, Vitagraph's "Netty or Letty", being the furiously funny mix-up caused by twins.

As a big New Year's feature the New Grand tomorrow, among other big things, will screen "The Temple of Moloch", the only film story approved by the Red Cross Society.

Bijou Stock Company.

In selecting plays for the Bijou Stock Company, which comes to the Academy for an engagement beginning next Monday, Manager Dunn has used every effort to get away from the old type of bills and has succeeded in using only those that have been tried and become popular. One of these in particular, "The Whirlpool," is an exceptionally strong play and enjoyed a long run in many of the principal cities a short time ago. The comedy is clean and of a type that is not exaggerated, the plot is interesting and plausible, and the action is such that the production does not drag and become tiresome. Vaudeville will be introduced between the acts and the bills will be changed three times weekly. Seats will be on sale Friday, New Year's Day.

Six Reels at the Bijou.

Wasn't the "Master Key" installment yesterday just great? You were no doubt surprised at its vivid and realistic portrayal, and with the quick turns of the plot that keep you guessing all the time as to what is going to happen next. There's no chance to guess ahead with any degree of certainty, for its a characteristic of John Fleming Wilson's writings that he keeps the outcome entirely in the dark until he is right ready to spring a surprise. And they'll come thick and fast every week now. Watch out and don't miss any of it.

But for today's big bill. For the last day of the year 1914, the Bijou will present a rousing six-reel bill—two big double-reel dramatic features, and two rousing comedy numbers. The bill is headed by that great production featured by Grace Cunard and Francis Ford, "The Ghost of Smiling Jim," an unusually vital photo-drama written by Miss Cunard. In this production the gifted actress has sounded the whole gamut of primitive emotions, and the finished photo-play bespeaks for her long nights spent under the clear-lit skies of the far Western country. It breathes the rarified air of the California mountains, and through it runs a wierd, mystic strain. After writing the great story, Miss Cunard ably displays her versatility by playing the roles of "The Girl" and "The Mother." It's in two full reels.

"The Golden Goose" is a two reel Mutual dramatic feature with some of the most beautiful of the Mutual's screen stars in the leading roles, including May Thompson, Thelma Salter and Fanny Midgley. It's a big story, wherein a child's belief in fairies brings good fortune, and was produced by William H. Clifford.

Two of the biggest of Crystal comedies wind up the six-reel bill. They are: "The Glass Pistol" and "Such a Mistake," and feature some of the biggest stars with the Crystal company.

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Brilliant 2-Reeler:
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Superb Screen Version of Charles Reade's Immortal Novel: "PEG WOFFINGTON"

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"The Glass Pistol"
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Tomorrow: "A Game of Wits." Two-Reel Eclair Feature.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

COTTON MARKET UNSTEADY

Ruled Generally Quite With Little Trading —Small Amount of Southern Selling in Evidence

New York, Dec. 29—Cotton market was quite today and trading seemed to be largely in the way of evening up accounts for over the holidays, but there was a little Southern selling. Fluctuations were more or less irregular with the close steady at a net advance of three points on Jauary while other months were 2 to 6 points lower.

The opening was steady at a decline of 1 to 3 points under a renewed of the realising movement. December was relatively easy at the start, probably owing to the circulation of a few notices. It was also a notice day for new style January contracts, but none seemed to have been issued, and the December cotton seemed to be well taken around the initial figures. The market soon steadied and active months sold a point or two above the closing figures of last night on covering and a little investment buying which was encouraged by the continued absence of Southern spot pressure and a hope that Washington's negotiations with Great Britain would result in a stimulating of the export movement. Later, however, the market eased off again under renewed realising and closed at practically the low point of the day.

The latest official estimate of the Egyptian crop places the yield at six to six and a half million cantars, or considerably under the figure circulating earlier in the season. Members of the cotton exchange today voted in favor of the amendments to the by-laws increasing commission on foreign business.

Spot cotton quite; middling uplands 7.80; gulf 8.05. No sales.

Cotton futures closed steady.

Month:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan	7.67	7.63	7.65	
Mar	7.82	7.78	7.79	
May	8.02	7.95	7.95	
July	8.18	8.21	8.15	8.17
Oct	8.40	8.43	8.36	8.38

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans — Middling, 7 7-16; receipts, 8,112; exports, 9,340; sales, 2,375; stock, 350,258.

Galveston—Middling, 7¾; receipts, 13,795; exports, 3,756; sales, 1,259; stock, 480,416.

Mobile—Middling, 7¼; receipts, 1,064; sales, 400; stock, 51,989.

Savannah—Middling, 7⅝; receipts, 7,185; exports, 10,400; sales, 3,375; stock, 299,459.

Charleston—Middling, 7 ; receipts, 1,391; stock, 138,727.

Wilmington—Middling, 7¼; receipts, 357; exports, 6,800; stock, 43,851.

Texas City—Receipts, 1,954.

Norfolk—Middling, 7⅝; exports, 4,150; sales, 768; stock, 61,625.

Baltimore—Middling, 7¾; stock, 1,995.

Boston—Middling, 7.80; receipts, 208; exports, 127; stock, 8,000.

Philadelphia—Middling, 8.05; receipts, 61; stock, 5,681.

New York—Middling, 7.80; exports, 750; stock, 91,281.

Minor Ports—Receipts, 4,182; exports, 4,182; stock, 86,075.

Total today—Receipts, 41,515; exports, 39,505; stock, 1,618,944.

Total for week—Receipts, 253,545; exports, 89,827.

Total for season—Receipts, 4,693,417; exports, 2,416,884.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Middling, 7 11-16; receipts, 10,461; shipments, 10,565; sales, 2,115; stock, 185,801.

Memphis—Middling, 7¼; receipts, 4,087; shipments, 5,613; sales, 2,600; stock, 270,742.

Augusta—Middling, 7⅛; receipts, 2,670; shipments, 1,867; sales, 2,361; stock, 161,472.

St. Louis—Middling, 7¼; receipts, 10,286; shipments, 9,327; stock, 33,317.

Cincinnati — Receipts, 1,862; shipments, 1,328; stock, 3,875.

Little Rock—Middling, 7⅛; receipts, 1,303; shipments, 1,112; stock, 54,425.

Dallas—Middling, 7 1-16; sales, 6,906.

Total today—Receipts, 30,845; shipments, 29,362; stock, 709,632.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

New Orleans, Dec. 30.—The cotton market was narrow today with much talk of a reaction, but offerings were fairly well absorbed and the trade appeared to be impressed by the steadiness of spot markets.

The net change for the session was a decline of 1 to 4 points. At the highest the more active months were a point above yesterday's close, at the lowest they were 4 to 6 points under.

There was some liquidation of long cotton, but it was offset, to a considerable extent by the fresh buying which came in on the soft spots. Professional traders were inclined to sell short around the highest levels on the theory that a reaction from the advance was due.

Fresh trading was restricted on both sides of the market by the nearness of the triple new year holidays. Shorts also were held in check by the large amount of cotton on ship-board in American ports as it pointed to heavy month-end clearances.

Spot cotton steady; sales on the spot 3,375; to arrive 800. Cotton futures closing: January 7.26; March 7.53; May 7.74; July 7.97; October 8.23.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Dec. 30.—Spot cotton, limited business; prices steady. American middling fair, 5.51; good middling, 4.86; middling, 4.62; low middling, 4.15; good ordinary, 3.53; ordinary, 3.08.

Sales, 5,000 bales, including 4,400 American and 500 for speculation and export. Receipts, 38,000 bales, including 28,100 American.

Futures closed quiet. May and June, 4.34; July and August, 4.41; October and November, 4.52½; January and February, 4.58. Total forwarded to mills during the week, 63,000 bales, of which 48,000 were American; stock, 830,000; American, 559,000; imports, 166,400; American, 147,400; exports, 9,800.

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WHEAT VALUES GO LOWER

Uneasiness Regarding the Export Outlook the Cause—Market Closed Nervous a Fraction Down.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Uneasiness regarding the export outlook today carried wheat values to a lower level. The market closed nervous, at ⅛ to 1⅜ net decline. Corn finished ⅝ to ⅞ down, and oats unchanged to ½c. off.

In provisions, the outcome was the same as last night to a setback of 7½ cents.

Grain and provisions closing:

Wheat—May, 1.28½; July, 1.18⅝.

Corn—May, 73½; July, 74⅛.

Oats—December, 48⅝; May, 53½.

Pork—January, 18.52; May, 19.12.

Lard—January, 10.35; May, 10.57.

Ribs—January, 10.07; May, 10.45.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.25½@1.27⅝; No. 2, hard, 1.25½@1.27⅝.

Corn—No. 2, yellow, 68@68½.

Oats—Standard, 50½@50¾.

MARINE.

Arrived.

Str. Osborn (Dan.), 1,333 tons, Jorgensen, Bergen, Norway, Henry Whyte.

Cleared.

Str. Hermia (Br.), 1,305 tons, Leslie, Liverpool, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Schr. William Thomas Moore, 268 tons, Jones, New York, C. D. Maffitt & Co.

Exports—Foreign.

Liverpool — Str. Hermia (Br.), 6,800 bales of cotton, valued at $408,000; vessel and cargo by Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Exports—Coastwise.

New York—Schr. William Thomas Moore, 298,000 feet of lumber, valued at $4,500; shipped by Rob't R. Seizer & Co., vessel by C. D. Maffitt and Co.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Osborn (Danish), 1,333 tons, Jorgensen, Henry Whyte.

Str. Newstead (Br.), 1,827 tons, Willett, Henry Whyte.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.) 2,289 tons, Holasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Kiel (Ger) 2,872 tons, Links, at Southport, Heide & Co.

Schooners.

Schr. Alice May Davenport, 910 tons, Wiley, C. D. Maffitt & Co. (In distress).

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 30

SPIRITS TURPENTINE — Steady, 41½ cents.

ROSIN — Steady. Large, $3.05; small, $2.95.

TAR — Firm, $2.00 per barrel; per gallon, $1½c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Firm, $3.25 per barrel for soft; $3.25 per barrel for virgin; $2.25 per barrel for hard.

Quotations same day last year — Spirits turpentine, steady, 41½; rosin, firm, $3.50; tar, firm, $2.50-11; crude turpentine, $3.00; $3.00; $2.00.

Spirits Turpentine ... ...(—)

Rosin 37

Tar 26

Crude Turpentine 5

Receipts same day last year, spirits turpentine, 4 casks; rosin, 24 barrels; tar, 74 barrels; crude turpentine, 14 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market — Spot, middling, steady, at 7¼c.; last year, nominal.

Receipts, 557 bales; same day last year, 957 bales.

Total receipts since September 1st, 88,599 bales.

Total receipts to same day last year, 309,143 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

Wilmington, Dec. 30.

Atlantic Coast Line—315 bales cotton; 26 barrels tar; 5 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Line—242 bales cotton. Whitlock—37 barrels rosin.

Total—557 bales cotton; 37 barrels rosin; 26 barrels tar; 5 barrels crude turpentine.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 30.)

CORN—$2.10 per sack.

POTATOES — Irish potatoes, 50@85c. per bu. Sweet potatoes, yams, 80@90c. per bu.

BEEF—Native dressed, 7@9c.; good sales.

PORK—Small, 10@12 cents.

SHEEP—No sale. Lambs, $1.50 to $2.50 per head; very dull; no sale.

WOOL—Burry, 14 to 15c.; black wool, 16 to 17c.; first-class white wool, 21c. free, 20@21c. per lb.

HIDES—Green salt, 13c.; dry flints, 17c. per lb.; dull.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Hams, 23c.; sides and shoulders, 16c. lb.; very dull.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c. per lb.

POULTRY — Chickens, grown, 40@45c. Spring, 15@30c. per head; very dull. Turkeys, 15@16 2-3 cents per lb.; very dull.

EGGS—28@29c. per doz.; very dull.

FOODSTUFFS AND FEEDS.

(Wholesale Price Quotations of Wednesday by Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

Flour—Fancy Patent, $6.25 to $6.50 (car lots).

Corn—Domestic, $1.00; Imported, 95c.

Meal—96 lb. bag, $1.95 to $2.00.

Oats—Mixed, 60c; white, 65c. bu.

Hay—No. 1, Timothy, $24.00; No. 1, Mixed, $23.00 ton.

Middlings—$32.00 per ton.

D. S. Sides—From 12¼ to 12¾.

Plates—From 11c. to 11¼c.

Lard — From 7¾ to 8c., according to quality.

Coffee—From 9 to 12c.

Rice—Broken, 3¾c. to 4c.; Japan, 4¼c to 5c. Fancy Head, 5 1-4c. to 6c.

Sugar — Granulated — Basis 5¼c; lower grades, usual difference.

Molasses — Black strap, 15c; mixed, 28c; Fancy Porto Rico, 40c.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., December 28. — Spanish—Farmers' stock, market quiet, 90c. per bu.

Virginias—Farmers' stock, market firm. Fancy Jumbo, 3½c. per lb.; Fancy hand-picked, 3¼c. per lb.; Extra Prime, 3c. to 3 c. per lb.; Shelling stock, 2¼c. to 2¾c. per lb.

STOCK SALES VERY SMALL

Total to Change Hands Less Than 50,000 Shares—Smallest on One Session Since 1888

New York, Dec, 30.—Total sales on the stock exchange today were the smallest for a full session since February 1888. Less than 50,000 shares changed hands apd trading was limited to about a score of so-called favorites.

The movement was narrow throughout, with a lowering trend, leaders yielding as much as a point at the outset, but making general recoveries on settlement of short contracts. This completed, the list drifted aimlessly to an apathetic, but firm close.

O all the important stocks, St. Paul failed to regain its decline, the weakness being associated with rumors of an impending bond or note issue. These same rumors applied to other railroads as well as industrial companies whose pressing financial requirements were matters of general knowledge.

Missouri, Kansas and Texas preferred was the only addition to the list of sctocks touching their minimum despite a favorable statement of earnings for November. Restoration of the regular "panhandle" preferred dividend was received with interest because the company is controlled by the Pennsylvania Company, which recently made a drastic cut in its dividend.

A slight advance in the prices of certain finished products was hailed as an indication of betterment in the steel trade. Other lines of business showed further indications of recovery chiefly as a result of war contracts.

An additional gain of almost $6,000,000 gold was the most interesting feature of the Bank of Germany's weekly statement. London's market was steady with expectancy regarding next week's resumption by the stock exchange.

The local bond market was irregular with renewed weakness in low grade issues. Total sales, par value, aggregated $1,150,000.

United States government coupon 3s gained 3-4 per cent. on call.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Amalgamated Copper	51⅛
American Agricultural . . offered	48
American Can	25½
American Car and Foundry	44⅛
American Cities, pfd	59¼
American Cotton Oil	38⅝
American Smelting	B. 56
American Snuff . . . . . offered	155
American Sugar	103
American Tel. and Tel	117¾
American Tobacco	B.217
Atchison	92
Atlantic Coast Line . . . offered	99
Baltimore and Ohio	86½
Canadian Pacific	154
Central Leather	37
Chesapeake and Ohio	40⅛
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	86⅝
Erie	21⅝
General Electric	139
Great Northern, pfd	113
Illinois Central	bid.106
Interborough-Met., pfd	50½
Kansas City Southern	B. 21
Lehigh Valley	128¾
Louisville and Nashville . . offered	112
Liggett and Myers	B.204
Lorillard Co	165¼
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	8¾
Missouri Pacific	9½
Mexican Petroleum	B. 5
New York Central	B. 83½
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford	54⅝
Norfolk and Western	98⅜
Northern Pacific	100
Pennsylvania	104
Reading	142⅜
Rep. Iron and Seel	18½
Rep. Iron and Steel, pfd	75
Rock Island Co	⅝
Rock Island Co., pfd	1⅝
St. L. and San Fran., 2nd pfd	2⅜
Seaboard Air Line	11
Seaboard Air Line, pfd . . offered	38
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron . B.	23
Southern Pacific	81½
Southern Railway . . . offered	14
Southern Railway, pfd. . offered	58
Tennessee Copper	32
Texas Co	B.128
Texas and Pacific	11½
Union Pacific	115⅞
United States Steel	49
United States Steel, pfd	104½
Utah Copper	49½
Virginia-Caro. Chem. . . . offered	15
Western Union	57⅜

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Dec. 30.—North Carolina Peanuts—Market, steady; new crop, fancy hand picked, 75c.; No. 1, machine picked, 65c. per bu.

Virginia Peanuts — Weaker. New crop Jumboes, 65c.; fancy, hand picked, 60c.; No. 1, machine picked, 50c. per bu.

Spanish Peanuts—Steady. New crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, 75c.; Jumboes, 65c. per bu. All receipts, heavier.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, Dec. 30.—Raw sugar, steady; molasses, 3.36; centrifugal, 4.01; refined, steady.

Butter—Easier.

Cheese—Steadier; unchanged.

Coffee—Spot, Rio, No. 7, 7½; Santos, No. 4, 9¾.

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, Dec. 30.—Cotton seed oil was very quiet today and about 1 to 4 points net higher, trade being entirely professional. Sales, 400 barrels.

The market closed quiet. Spot, 5.78@6.00; January, 5.81@5.85; February, 5.97@6.02; March, 6.12@6.15; April, 6.22@6.26; May, 6.39@6.41; June, 6.47@6.55; July, 6.61@6.63.

NAVAL STORES MARKET.

Savannah, Dec. 30.—Turpentine—Firm, 42@42½; sales, 236; receipts, 270; shipments, 34; stocks, 36,229.

Rosin—Firm. Sales, 491; receipts, 1,416; shipments, 643; stocks, 151,056. Quote: A, B, C, D, E, 3.15; F, 3.17½; G, 3.20; H, 3.25; I, 3.45; K, 3.75; M, 4.50; N, 5.50; W G and W W, 5.75.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Dec. 30.—Cotton goods were quiet, but steady today. Yarns are quiet. Worsted yarns were more active. Wool serges for the fall of 1915 were being sold from stock without advances. Burlaps were active and higher.

Remember the The Dansant New Year's afternoon and evening. (Advertisement.)

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

December 31, 1914.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M., yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 56 degrees; at 8 P. M., 52 degrees; maximum, 59 degrees; minimum, 51 degrees; mean, 55 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .08; rainfall for the month, to date, 2.40 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river, at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M. yesterday 26.9 feet.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina—Generally fair Thursday and Friday.

The Port Calendar, Dec. 31, 1914.

Sun rises ... ...7:18 A. M.

Sun sets ... ...5:13 P. M.

Day's length ... ...9 hours, 57 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	9:16	9:27	4:06	4:47
Southport	7:02	7:22	12:53	1:43
Masonboro Inl	6:51	7:11	12:33	1:23

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

December 30, 1914.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature Highest today.	Temperature Lowest last night.	Precipitation at 8 P. M.
Abilene	clear	48	28	.0
Asheville	cldy	36	36	.0
Atlanta	cldy	42	38	.0
Augusta	clear	58	46	.06
Birmingh.	cldy	40	38	.0
Boston	clear	48	34	.02
Charleston	cldy	60	54	.02
Charlotte	pt cldy	54	40	.02
Chicago	clear	14	14	.01
Galveston	pt cldy	50	42	.0
Jacksonv.	cldy	64	60	.38
Memphis	pt cldy	36	30	.0
Mobile	clear	50	42	.0
Montgom'y	cldy	46	40	.0
New Orl.	clear	50	42	.0
New York	cldy	46	32	.01
Oklahoma	cldy	40	22	.0
Palestine	clear	46	30	.0
Pittsburg	snow	34	34	.06
Raleigh	clear	54	44	.0
Savannah	cldy	62	54	.12
Shreveport	clear	44	32	.0
St. Louis	clear	22	14	.0
Washing'n	clear	44	32	.0

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Hogs — Lower. Bulk, 7.00@7.15; light, 6.70@7.10; mixed, 6.80@7.20; heavy, 6.80@7.20; rough, 6.80@6.90; pigs, 5.40@7.10.

Cattle—Weak. Native steers, 5.40@9.85; western, 5.00@7.80; cows and heifers, 3.00@8.10; calves, 7.50@10.00.

Sheep—Strong. Sheep, 5.75@6.75; yearlings, 6.75@7.85; lambs, 6.75@8.75.

FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Dec. 30.—Mercantile paper, 4@4½; Sterling exchange, steady; sixty day bills, 4.8150; cables, 4.8575; for demand, 4.8515. Bar silver, 48¾. Mexican dollars, 37¼. Government bonds, firm. Railroad bonds, irregular. Time loans, easy; sixty and ninety days, 3½@4; six months, 3¾@4. Call money, firmer; high, 3; low, 3; ruling rate, 3; last loan, 3; closing bid, 3; offered, at 3.

RATES ON COTTON FOR TRANS-ATLANTIC TRADE

Savannah Quotes New High Record for Freight Rates on Southern Product.

Savannah, Dec. 30.—Scarcity of carriers and the risks of transportation have increased trans-Atlantic freight rates on cotton from Savannah to new high records, local exporters say. Cotton here is bringing an average price of about $35 a bale and the quoted freight rate to Bremen is approximately half that sum.

Ocean freight rates on cotton now, compared to normal times, are quoted by exporters as follows:

To Breme, now $18.75; formerly, $1.75 per bale. To Rotterdam, $12.50 against $1.75. To Gothenberg, $11.25 against $3.00. To Havre, 5.50 against $2.00. To Liverpool and Manchester, $4.35 against $1.75. To Genoa, $5.50 against $2.75. To Barcelona, $5.00 against $3.25.

Cotton factors here contended that the increase in freight rates was largely responsible for the low prices the staple now brings in domestic markets. It would be impossible, they said, to pay more than $35 a bale here, meet the high freight charges and sell the cotton at even a modest profit in European markets.

SAME WAGE SCALE.

Will be in Effect at Navy Yards as for the Past Six Years, Says Daniels.

Washington, Dec. 30.—Secretary Daniels announced today that, after thorough investigation he "had come to the conclusion that labor conditions affecting wages throughout the country have not experienced any essential change during the past six years, and he has therefore decided to continue the same schedules at the navy yards during the coming year."

Have you made your engagement for The Dansant at the Boys' Brigade armory New Year's? (advertisement.)

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Ar.Chicago	5:30pm	7:35pm	7:10am
A.St. Louis	7:18pm	7:18pm	7:45am

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Lv.Petersburg	11:00a.m.	10:40p.m.
Lv.Durham	7:00a.m.	5:30p.m.
Lv.Lynchburg	2:45p.m.	2:30a.m.
Ar.Cincinnati	7:20a.m.	6:20a.m.
Ar.Columbus	6:45a.m.	7:00p.m.
Ar.Chicago	5:00p.m.	8:00a.m.
Ar.St. Louis	6:32p.m.	8:30a.m.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT. EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA—IN EQUITY.

R. E. Summer, et al vs. Carolina Coast Products Co., et al.—Order Appointing Receiver, Etc.

To Creditors and Bondholders, and all other persons having claims against the Carolina Coast Products Company.

It is further ordered that all persons, creditors and bondholders, having claims against the said defendant, the Carolina Coast Products Company, whether by mortgage, lien or unsecured claim, be and are hereby required to file the same with the Clerk of the Court on or before the first Monday in January, 1915, setting forth in detail the nature thereof, duly verified, and the Clerk is directed to make proper advertisement to all creditors of this provision of the Order.

Witness the Honorable H. G. Connor, Judge, of said Court, (SEAL) and the seal at Wilmington, this 9th day of December, A. D. 1914.

ALEX L. BLOW, Clerk,
S. P. COLLIER, Deputy Clerk.

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EASTBOUND: Leave Front and Princess for Winter Park	Leave Front and Princess for Wrightsville	Leave Front and Princess for Beach	WESTBOUND: Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave for for Wilmington
.....	.....	.....	a6:20 A. M.	a6:15 A. M.	.....
a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a7:26 A. M.	a7:25 A. M.	.....
.....	.....	.....	b7:56 A. M.	b7:45 A. M.	b7:35 A. M.
6:55 A. M.	6:55 A. M.	b6:55 A. M.	a8:01 A. M.	a7:50 A. M.	a7:40 A. M.
a9:00 A. M.	a9:00 A. M.	.....	a8:41 A. M.	a8:30 A. M.	.....
8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	9:36 A. M.	9:25 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
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10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	11:06 A. M.	11:55 A. M.	10:45 A. M.
11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	12:36 P. M.	12:25 P. M.	12:15 P. M.
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c4:10 P. M.	.....	.....	c4:30 P. M.	.....	.....
4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	c5:10 P. M.	.....	.....
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5:30 P. M.	5:30 P. M.	.....	6:11 P. M.	6:00 P. M.	.....
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6:40 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	7:41 P. M.	7:30 P. M.	7:20 P. M.
7:15 P. M.	7:15 P. M.	.....	8:06 P. M.	7:55 P. M.	.....
8:15 P. M.	8:15 P. M.	.....	8:56 P. M.	8:45 P. M.	.....
9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	10:21 P. M.	10:10 P. M.	10:00 P. M.
10:15 P. M.	10:15 P. M.	.....	10:56 P. M.	10:45 P. M.	.....
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P. M.	.....	11:56 P. M.	11:45 P. M.	.....

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Arrivals and Departures of Trains at Wilmington. Effective Nov. 23, 1914. Time Not Guaranteed.

DEPARTURES:	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS:
No. 90. 3:40 A.M. Monday morning only.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad.	No. 91. 1:15 A.M. Sunday morning (Saturday night) only.
No. 51. * 5:25 A.M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman sleeping cars between Wilmington and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50. *12:45 A.M.
No. 64. ¶ 6:50 A.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 63. ¶ 6:15 P.M.
No. 48. * 7:30 A.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49. * 6:05 P.M.
No. 53. * 8:45 A.M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52. * 8:05 P.M.
No. 62. * 3:25 P.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 63. *12:50 P.M.
No. 55. * 3:45 P.M.	Chadbourn, Florence, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida Points. Columbia, Asheville and the West. A Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta, and between Florence and Columbia.	No. 54. *12:50 P.M.
No. 59. ¶ 6:30 P.M.	Fayetteville and Intermediate stations.	No. 60. ¶10:15 A.M.
No. 42. * 6:45 P.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars, between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41. * 9:45 A.M.

* Daily. ¶ Daily except Sunday. ¶ Tuesdays, Thursday and Saturdays.

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AMERICA CAN END THE EUROPEAN WAR

By Cutting Off Supply of Munitions and Arms.

DECLARES MR. VOLLMER

Representative from Iowa Yesterday Before the House Foreign Affairs Committee—Dollars and Dum Dums Together.

Washington, Dec. 30.—That the United States could end the European war by cutting off export of war material was the assertion of Representative Vollmer, of Iowa, today before the House foreign affairs committee. With Representative Bartholdt, he endorsed a resolution to authorize the President in his discretion to prohibit such exports.

"President Wilson," he said, "suspended the embargo of export of arms and munitions to Mexico in the interests of true neutrality as against neutrality on paper."

The right of Congress to impose an embargo, he said, was fully established and the only question at issue was one of "national policy."

"I maintain," said Representative Vollmer, "that this resolution is in line with the historic reputation of this nation as the greatest advocate of peace. It is not in line witeh that reputation to supply the instruments of murder to European nations.

"We are now in the position of sending dollars for Belgium and dum-dum bullets for Germany."

Representative Vollmer emphatically declared:

"Germany cannot be beaten in this war. Her people are united and determined to fight to the last drop of blood. If this war continues it will go on and on until all the world is dragged down to bankruptcy.

Maintain German Friendship.

"There is only one nation whose lines of national interest are hopelessly opposed to ours. I do not hesitate to predict that Japan proposes to hold not only Kiao Chw but the islands of the sea which she has seized. She desires to secure the unlimited possibilities of the rapidly developing trade of China as against the world. Some day this issue must be tried out in the Pacific and it may be to the interest of this country to have a powerful friend at her side."

"Do you think the German government expects us seriously to pass such a resolution as this?" asked Chairman Flood.

"I believe, and persons who have been in Germany say," replied Representative Vollmer, "that the Germans look with grave displeasure on shipments of arms to the Allies."

Representative Bartholdt told the committee that by "dollar neutrality" the United States was alienating the friendship of Germany and Austria.

"The friendship has been unbroken since the beginning of this government," he said. "We ought to preserve it. The alliance of Great Britain with the yellow race is not a good omen for our future in the Pacific. We are now selling our neutrality for British gold.'

Mr. Bartholdt asserted shipments of munitions since the war began aggregated $150,000,000.

"I am convinced," he said, "that by cutting off the exportation of these war supplies we can bring the war to a close very soon."

INTEREST OF TWO NATIONS IN NOTE

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could be digested at one cabinet meeting. Sir Edward Grey scarcely had time to read, much less to consider the note, before the meeting of his colleagues.

The cabinet will seek information at the admiralty, which department is responsible for the examination of ships' cargoes. Foreign office officials and the law officers of the crown, too, will be called upon for diplomatic and legal opinions.

Page to Discuss Matter.

When this procedure is adopted American Ambassador Page will be asked to discuss the whole question with Sir Edward Grey and Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador at Washington, probably will be instructed to take up the question with the American State Department. Mr. Page has not yet received any intimation as to the date for his conference with Sir Edward Grey.

The protest continues to monopolize interest here. While it has come as somewhat of a shock to the public that differences have arisen between the two governments on a subject that admittedly is a difficult one, the note generally is calmly discussed, except by those who declare that Great Britain should disregard American wishes and follow a policy best calculated to assist the Allies in the war.

British ship owners who are almost as greatly concerned over the situation as Americans today expressed the opinion that the matter would be amicably settled. The director of one large company, admitting inconvenience which is inevitable in the searching of ships said it was possible some of this inconvenience might be obviated.

SUNRISE PRAYER MEETING.

Interesting and Impressive Union Service at St. Andrew's Tomorrow.

All members of the congregation and others interested are asked not to forget the sunrise prayer meeting at 7:30 o'clock tomorrow morning at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church when the new year of 1915 will be welcomed in a pretty and impressive service which has become a custom with Dr. McClure at his church.

This service takes the place of the watch-night services held by most churches and this year it has been Dr. McClure's especial pleasure to welcome with his congregation for this service all members of the other churches in the northern part of the city, who asked to join in this novel exercise on New Year's morn. The public generally will be most cordially welcomed to this service of prayer and praise.

We Will Expect You

To make a deposit at The People's Savings Bank on January 2nd. You know this is their next Regular Interest Quarter and the beginning of the New Year. (advertisement)-2t

JUDGE CLARK SPEAKS FOR WOMAN SUFFRAGE

Addresses Large and Cultured Audience in Goldsboro.

Emphacizes Fact That Only Women, Idiots, Convicts and Moral Defectives are Not Allowed to Vote.

(Special Star Telegram)

Goldsboro, N. C. Dec, 30—That when men oppose suffrage for women they are placing their wives, sisters and daughters in the same class with idiots convicts and moral defectives, because the latter constitute the only class in addition to women who are not now allowed to vote, was the declaration of Chief Justice Walter Clark, of the Supreme court of North Carolina, who addressed a large and cultured audience in the court house here tonight under the auspices of the Equal Suffrage League.

"One thing that disgusts me", said the Chief Justice, "is to hear a man say a woman has not sense enough to vote, when nearly every man who has achieved success owes it to some good woman".

Judge Clark declared woman suffrage is one of the great movements of the age and that nothing will prevent its coming to the front, not only in North Carolina but in every state in the Union.

Col. Joseph E. Robinson, editor of the Daily Argus, introduced Judge Clark, and his remarks were heartily applauded. In beginning his address, the Chief Justice spoke in strong terms of admiration of the elegent new court house and said he felt honored in having been invited by the Woman Suffrage League to address the organization and its friends in such a lovely edifice, situated in a region immortalized in poetry, romance and history and marked by the footprints of genius

Judge Clark spoke of the great progress that the cause of woman suffrage has made in recent years and of the fact that it has elicited the support of many of the leaders in the country's life and thought. He sought to encourage the members of the organization in North Carolina in their efforts to secure recognition of what he termed their right to vote. He stated that one fourth of the members of the United States Senate had to give women credit for the fact that they have been elected to seats in that august body.

One of the greatest things so far accomplished by women's votes, the speaker said, that several states now have prohibition in which the cause was always defeated before the women were allowed to vote.

NO RELIEF FOR WILMINGTON.

Readjustment of Express Rates on Truck Did Not Help This Section.

Always and forever Wilmington gets the worst of every readjustment in freight and express rates, it seems. Mr. J. A. Taylor, chairman of the traffic committee of the Chamber of Commerce, has worked faithfully, in season and out of season, to secure much needed relief in the way of rates and it is no fault of his that conditions remain as they are.

Recently when he learned that in a readjustment of express rates by the Interstate Commerce Commission that Wilmington truckers would have to pay five cents more a crate on lettuce shipped to New York, he took up the matter with the Commission and received a reply to the effect that the Southern Express Company was ordered to readjust its rates on beans, peas and lettuce in baskets and crates; that this readjustment advanced some rates slightly and reduced others, but that it appears upon the whole that the reductions are greater than the advancees. These new rates have the approval of the Commission and will remain as they are.

BRYAN AND HOBSON TO BE HEARD IN RALEIGH

Secretary of State to Address Members of Legislature.

Secretaries Daniels and Bryan to Speak at Social Service Conference—State Council of Farmers' Union to Meet

(Special Star Telegram)

Raleigh, N. C. Dec, 30—President Clarence Poe, of the North Carolina Conference on Social Service, has received a letter from Secretary of the Navy Daniels to the effect that he has arranged for Secretary of State W. J. Bryan to come to Raleigh for the conference on one of the three days of its session January 28, 29 and 30, and deliver two addresses, one before the conference and the other before the members of the Legislature. Secretary Daniels will accompany him and will speak also.

Superintendent R. L. Davis, of the Anti-Saloon League, announces he has secured Congressman Hobson as one of the speakers for the session of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League January 13 and 14.

President H. Q. Alexander, of the North Carolina Farmers Union, has called a meeting of the State Council for Raleigh January 14 to prepare a bill for co-operative enterprises, and rural credits, and agree upon a policy in co-operation with the National Union.

Police Justice Harris this afternoon dismissed Richard Brown from custody, finding that there was no ground for the charge that he intended to steel the overcoat and money of J. P. Ryder, the Plasterers' Union man, who died from drink in the city prison last week. This does away with the last bit of suspicion of any foul play of any sort in the death of Ryder, whose body has been carried to Washington for interment.

FARM PRODUCTS VERY VALUABLE

This Year's Output Surpasses All Records.

NEARLY TEN BILLION

Twelve Months Just Past Form Record Year According to Figures Given Out By Secretary Houston at Washington

Washington, Dec, 30—American farm products during 1914 eclipsed all records for value, with a total of almost ten billion dollars. Secretary Houston announced today that the value of all farm crops, farm animal products and farm animals sold and slaughtered agregated $9,872,936,000. That was $83,000,000 more than the grand total for 1913, the previous record year. It was more than double the value of all farm products in 1899.

Crops this year were valued at $6,044,430,000 and farm animal products at $3,838,428,000. The value of crops was slightly less than in 1913 on account of the reduced value of cotton. The corn and what crops, however, were the most valuable ever produced. They brought the year's crop value total to only $88,279,000 less than the total for last year, despite the loss of more than $300,000,000 in the value of cotton.

The estimated value of the animal products of the farm in 1914', said the Agricultural outlook today "is distinctly higher than in 1913, which was itself a record year in the value of this class of products. This is due to general but slight increases in production except for sheep and swine and in prices, more especially to a small increase in the average farm price of eggs, and to a more considerable increase in the farm price of cattle and calves sold and slaughtered.

Figures Not of Wealth

"It must be borne in mind that the mounts of these estimates do not stand for wealth produced, not for cash received nor for profit, nor for income in any sense. Each product is valued, as in the census when it reached commercial form and the grand aggregate of all items is to be regarded as an index number, o rfrom a relative rather than from an absolute point of view. Sales of crops last year were estimated at $2,928,000,000; sales of live stock $2,919,000,000 a total of $5,847,000,000. The estimated value of total sales per farm was $892, and sales per capita of rural population (excluding towns) $139.

The value of the princiap farm crops this year was:

Corn $1,702,599,000; wheat $878,680,000; hay $779,968,000; cotton $519,616,000; oats $499,431,000; potatoes $198,609,000; barley $105,903,000; tobacco $101,411,000; sweet potatoes $41,294,000; rye $37,018,000; sugar beets $27,950,000; rice $21,849,000; Flax seed $19,540,000 and buckwheat $12,892,000.

In the production of these fourteen principals crops, the aggregate was about 10 per cent. larger than in 1913 and six per cent smaller than in 1912, which year stands as the one of the greatest aggregate production in the United States.

This year two important crops exceeded previous records—wheat, with 891,000,000 bushels, following the 1913 record of 763,000,000 bushels; and cotton, with 15,966,000 bales (preliminary estimate) the previous record being 15,693,000 bales in 1911.

The value per acre of all enumerated crops averaged about $16.44 this year, compared with $16.52 in 1913 and $16.15 in 1912.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

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The annual Christmas entertainment of the First Baptist church was given at the church last night and was attended by a large audience. After the singing of songs and recitations by the children there was a Christmas cantata, "The Twentieth Century Santa Claus," given under the direction of Misses Nellie Pickard and Julia Hays, teachers in the primary department, which was one of the most delightful features of the evening.

There will be several Christmas entertainments in the city tonight, among these being that of Immanuel Presbyterian church which begins at 7:30 o'clock and an entertainment and Watch Night service at Sixth Street Advent Christian church.

WATCH NIGHT SERVICE.

Old Time Love Feast at Grace Methodist Church Tonight.

All the members and their friends are invited to attend the Watch Night service which will be held in Grace Methodist church tonight from 11 to 12 o'clock. An old time Love Feast will be a feature of the service. It is hoped that there will be a large number who will come to watch the old year out and the new year in.

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